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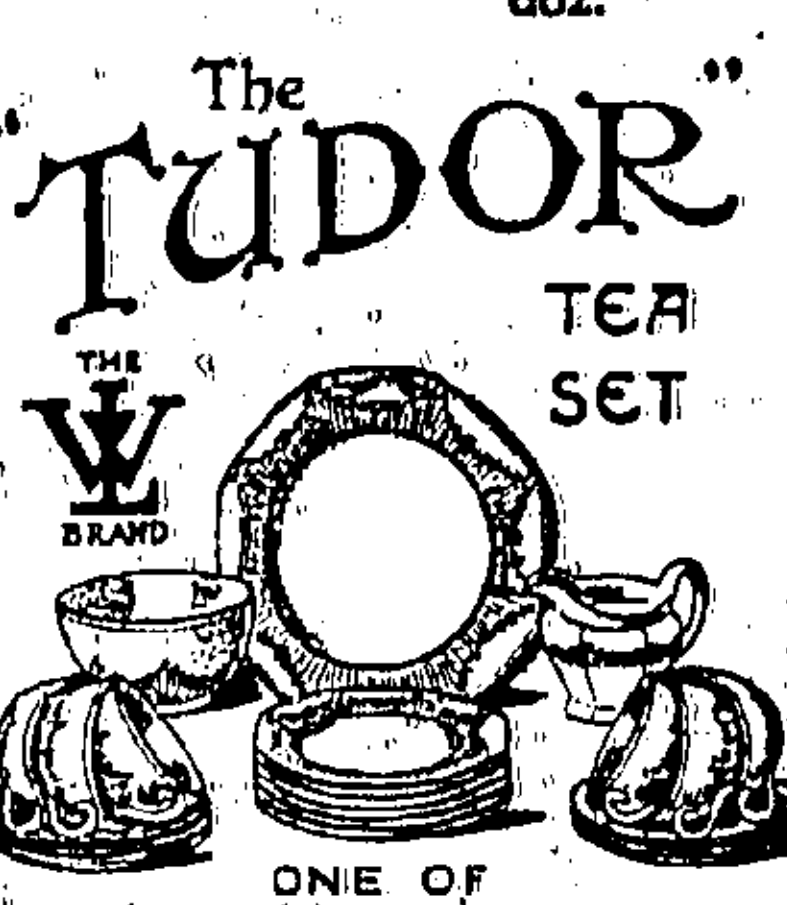
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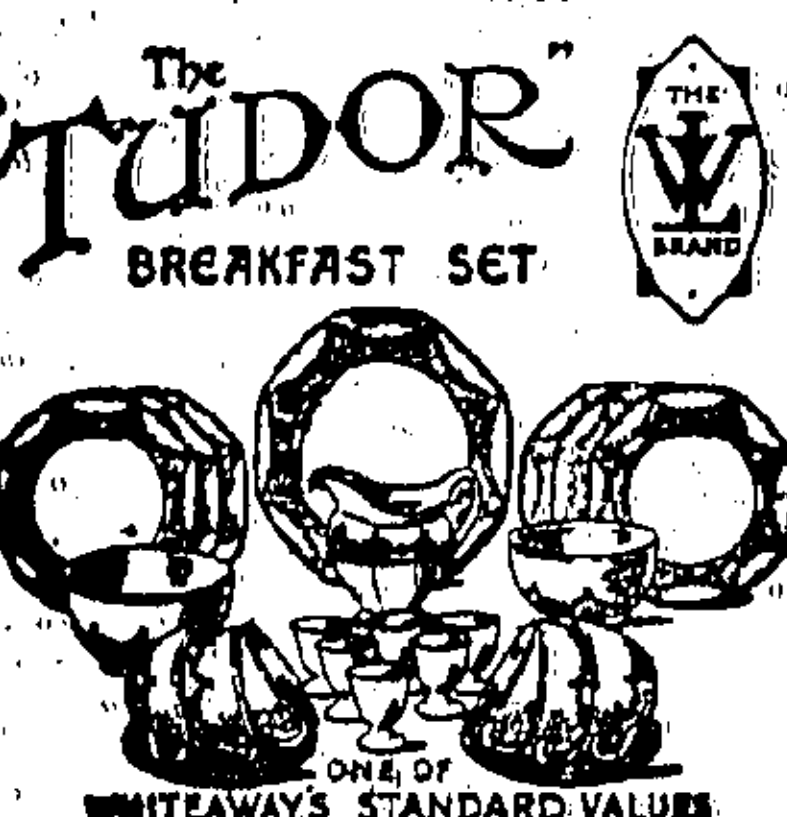
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OUR DERBY DAY.

Hot Favourite Wins The Great Race.

ELLIOT BAY'S SUCCESS.

A Handsome Win In A Field of Three.

Hong Kong's Derby, the great event of the Colony's racing year, was won this afternoon by Mr. L. Dunbar's Elliot Bay, the favourite, who came home handsomely in a field of three.

After those two dividends of \$100 each yesterday, the crowd seemed even bigger to-day for the second-day's events of the Hong Kong Jockey Club annual meeting.

That the Derby was the attraction there was no doubt. Although the Dunbar stable had justified its reputation yesterday, there was a hankering to find something else to back.

By 12 noon, the start of the first race, the attendance had already assumed gratifying proportions.

Little or no rain had fallen since the night before so that the course was just a bit on the soft side. Materially, the going was the same as on Monday.

The fair sex was just as strongly represented as ever. As the weather gave no encouragement of being warmer, raincoats and furs were the order of the day, although here and there a small group of colour lent a pleasing touch to the drab background.

The Derby was watched from more than one point of view. The performances of the best griffins were studiously watched to see if any of them was capable of extending—or even beating—Bengal, the crack Tien-

Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Recha-bite, 154 lbs. (Mr. Bulpeel) 3
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Southampton, 163 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 4
Mr. Henry Humphreys' Titmouse, 155 lbs. (Mr. Greenway) 0

3 lengths; many lengths.
Time: 2.12.1/5.

Parl-mutuel:—
Winner \$8.50.
Places: 1st \$6.50; 2nd \$12.70.

2.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the bankers and exchange brokers of Hong Kong. Value \$2,000 to winner, second to receive \$300 and third \$200. For China ponies. W.I. Ponies that have started in and won a race of 1 mile or over at this meeting allowed 3 lb; griffins of this meeting allowed 5 lb; subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lb. Allowance, 100 yards. Entrance \$10. About one mile, 155 yards.

Mr. L. Dunbar's Chesapeake Bay, 153 lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Goblin, 155 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 2*

Messrs. Tester & Abraham's Attaboy, 155 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacion) 2*

Mr. Dynasty's King of the Plains, 152 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 4

Mr. R. M. Austin's Grey Knight, 152 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0

2 lengths; * dead heat.
Time: 2.19.1/5.

Parl-mutuel:—
Winner \$6.60.
Places: 1st \$5.10; * 2nd \$5.10.
* Dead Heat.

TO-MORROW'S WEATHER.

The weather forecast for to-morrow is—"North winds, moderate, overcast."

tsin "old" pony in to-morrow's Champions.

Some of the big sweep drawings are given elsewhere. To-day the interest of the many who buy tickets regularly has been cut down to "the lucky" few who have drawn likely starters.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Clementi arrived in time to see the Derby.

They were met by the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard and Mr. H. P. White.

The Derby.

The Favourite won the Derby. In his fourth year as owner, Mr. L. Dunbar won the coveted honour with Elliot Bay and as he returned to the enclosure he met with a tumultuous reception.

The field of three was perhaps the smallest in the Hong Kong Derby for many years. Elliot Bay was undoubtedly the best pony and won handsomely on his merit, his jockey, Mr. A. M. Dallas riding with nice judgment.

All the public's money was on Elliot Bay and he accordingly proved a very popular winner.

As predicted, there were several "upsets to form" during the day, resulting in big dividends on the tote and another \$100 return came up as anticipated by some.

A feature of the racing was the victory of Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Skidoo in the 4th race, in which Mr. E. A. Brodie rode with first-class judgment. Last year Mrs. Paterson won the same race. Accordingly, she has won two years in succession and she thus wins outright the Subscription Griffins' Challenge Cup—a consecutive win in two years being rather unusual.

1.—The Jockey Cup.—Winner \$500, second \$200, third \$100. A cup will be presented to the winning jockey. For China ponies, that have started in and have not won a race at this meeting and that have not at any time won three flat races, to be ridden by jockeys who have not won five flat races in Hong Kong or China. Weight for jockeys as per scale. Winners 5 lb. extra. Jockeys 2 lb. extra for each flat race won. Entrance \$5. One mile.

Mr. Dynasty's King of England, 155 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 1
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Ghoul (late Bengor), 155 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 2

HAVE YOU WON?

To-day's Cash Sweeps at A Glance.

ALL THE LUCKY NUMBERS.

For the convenience of those who are particularly interested in the cash sweeps at the race course, the results are given here in tabulated form.

Race I.
No. 689 \$1,220.80
" 313 348.80
" 109 174.40
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 276, 467.

Race II.
No. 491 \$1,807.20
" 513 344.40
" 458 344.40
* Dead heat.
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 395, 569.

Race III.
No. 489 \$7,442.40
" 548 2,126.40
" 449 1,063.20

Race IV.
No. 262 \$2,349.20
" 23 671.20
" 312 335.60
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 966, 615, 38, 100, 590, 951, 174, 18, 180, 297, 591, 1011, 140, 107, 978, 790.

Race V.
No. 824 \$3,931.20
" 1200 1,123.20
" 1293 561.60
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 363, 327, 175, 437, 630, 1138.

Race VI.
No. 194 \$3,696.00
" 852 1,056.00
" 645 528.00
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 1059, 923, 800, 1168.

Race VII.
No. 575 \$3,728.20
" 819 1,065.20
" 1343 532.60
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 784, 884, 397, 208.

Race VIII.
No. 1162 \$3,460.80
" 1091 988.80
" 447 494.40
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 45, 180, 144, 1290, 696, 871, 745, 893, 1130, 549, 76, 289.

Race IX.
No. 390 \$3,187.80
" 724 910.80
" 773 455.40
Unplaced \$50 each—No. 249.

Race X.
No. 26 \$2,955.40
" 907 844.40
" 724 422.20
Unplaced \$50 each—Nos. 870, 9, 63, 397, 634.

Col. V. Coates's Bashak, 155 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 0
Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Tangle, 155 lbs. (Mr. Bulpeel) 0
Mr. Eve's Festive Eve, 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Grig, 152 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 0
Mr. Henry Humphreys' White Mouse, 152 lbs. (Mr. Chun) 0
Mr. John Peel's Min River, 152 lbs. (Mr. Da Roza) 0
Mr. L. Reidy's Foxrot, 155 lbs. (Mr. Macgown) 0
Mr. Seth's Perversity, 155 lbs. (Mr. Seth) 0
Mr. Sewell's Circe, 155 lbs. (Mr. Seth) 0
Mr. E. L. Sim's Bagheera, 152 lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 0
Mr. W. T. Stanton's Kwong Chow, 155 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0
Messrs. Tester & Abraham's Bing Boy, 155 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 0
Mr. Topside's Mountain Fox, 155 lbs. (Mr. Bousfield) 0
Mr. Wayfoong's The George & Vulture, 155 lbs. (Mr. Greenway) 0
Mr. H. P. White's Salt Cellar, 155 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
Five lengths; half a length.
Time: 2.48.1/5.

Parl-mutuel:—
Winner \$36.00.
Places: 1st \$6.30; 2nd \$5.90; 3rd \$23.50.

(Continued on Page 12.)

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

The Sending of Coins Through The Post.

The situation of competitors in our 500 Cross-Word Puzzle Competition is drawn to the fact that letters must not be sent through the post containing COINS, as such letters will not be delivered by the Post Office.

SHOTS IN JAIL.

"Sunning" Prisoners Attempt to Escape.

WARDERS WOUNDED.

Dramatic Fight In The Condemned Cell.

A dramatic fight took place in the condemned cell early this morning when four prisoners sentenced to death for their part in the "Sunning" piracy made a desperate attempt to escape, two European warders and one Indian warder being shot, but not dangerously, during a surprise attack.

Four of the six Chinese who were recently condemned to death for their part in the "Sunning" piracy made a desperate attempt in the small hours of this morning to break from Victoria Jail.

The four men were confined together in one of the condemned cells situated in the main prison building.

About 1.15 in the morning the Principal Warder and his assistant had occasion to visit the condemned prisoners. No sooner had they entered the cell than they were taken by surprise by the prisoners, each being tackled by two of the desperados. Caught unawares, the warders were easily overpowered and relieved of their revolvers. The prisoners were usually shackled together with connecting steel chains, managed by some means not yet ascertained to slip their handcuffs, and armed with the warders' revolvers they dashed out of the cell into the main corridor where they fired at two European and one Indian Warders whom they found there. Both the Europeans were wounded in the leg while the Indian was shot in the ankle. Another Indian who was not observed by the prisoners managed to bring one of the prisoners down with a clout on the back of the head. The other three were in such haste to make their get-away that they did not trouble to avenge their companion, but made a dash for the grille at the far end of the corridor. Finding this securely locked, the prisoners lost their heads and dashed aimlessly up and down the corridor. In the meantime the sound of the firing had been heard in another part of the jail and the general alarm was given. This convinced the prisoners that the game was up and they immediately returned to their cell. Here they were found by Mr. Franks, Superintendent of the jail, when he arrived with other officers a couple of minutes after the alarm had been sounded.

A search of the cell was immediately made and one pistol recovered. The other was found by one of the rescuers wrapped up in a blanket just outside the cell.

The prisoners were again fastened together with new chains and securely locked up for the rest of the night, and the wounded warders immediately removed to the G.C.H. All their wounds have been carefully examined and while they were seriously hurt, they are not thought to be in danger of losing their lives. It is understood that the prisoners were due to be executed to-morrow morning, so that they made an almost eleventh hour attempt to evade justice.

RUSSIA'S NOTE.

Britain Not To Make Any Reply.

London, Feb. 28.

In the House of Commons Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, announced that the Government did not propose to reply to the Soviet note—Reuter.

GUARDS HERE.

Their First Time East of Suez.

DURATION OF STAY UNCERTAIN.

About 900 of the Coldstream Guards (comprising the 2nd Battalion), arrived in Hong Kong early this morning on the s.s. "Kilfauns Castle" which berthed at Holt's wharf, Kowloon.

The s.s. "Kildonan Castle" (the sister Union Castle line boat) went into midstream yesterday to allow the "Kilfauns Castle" to go alongside.

The "Coldstreams" (the first in the history of the Brigade of Guards in which one of their units has been detailed for service East of Suez) were to have been accommodated at the Peninsula Hotel which has been specially prepared for them but the possibility of their proceeding on to Shanghai is "still in the balance."

Volunteers From 3rd Battalion. 300 of the officers and men of the Coldstreams on board the s.s. "Kilfauns Castle" belong to the 3rd Coldstreams, their merger with the 2nd Battalion being due to the fact that, whilst at Aldershot, they volunteered for service in China and were drafted into the 2nd Coldstreams as Wellington Barracks, London.

Local Headquarters state definitely that they are not yet aware whether the troops on the "Kildonan Castle" and "Kilfauns Castle" will proceed to Shanghai without disembarking. They state that orders are awaited from Major-General Duncan in Shanghai.

The local military authorities also state that they are not aware of the names of officers on board with the Coldstreams.

Salutes were fired in the harbour this morning in connection with the arrival of a Japanese cruiser and three destroyers from Swatow. These vessels will remain here seven days in connection with training manoeuvres. The destroyers will then go to Canton and the cruiser to Farnam.

YANGTZE TROUBLE.

Boycotts of the British Tightened.

SITUATION UNSETTLED.

The following wireless messages were received over-night by the local naval authorities:—

No progress has been made in the negotiations for ending the strike at Ichang owing to difficulties in getting in touch with the Labour Unions.

The boycott at Ichang has been tightened but apparently orders have been received to cease agitation.

The situation at Ichang is generally very unsettled and the community is being reduced to the essential minimum.

The boycott of the British community at Changsha is complete and here also the community is being reduced as far as possible.

Hankow One Hour Strike.

There is no change in the situation at Hankow.

The one hour strike at Hankow yesterday was very complete, all workers being forced to cease duty.

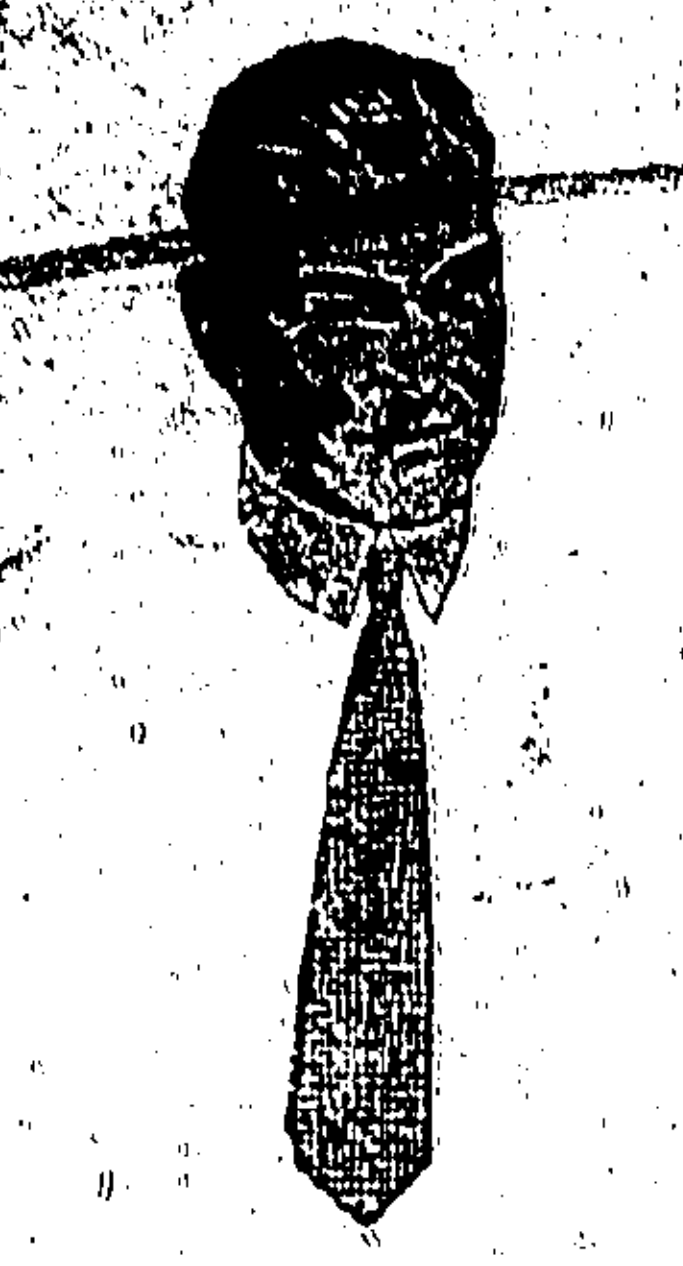
An aeroplane yesterday dropped pamphlets over Hankow extolling the Kuomintang party.

About 1,000 troops crossed the river yesterday from Kluikang.

The transfer of Shantung troops down-river from Fukow to Nanjing continues.

Mr. D. F. Landale, who has been appointed captain of the Oxford University Rugby Team, is the son of Mr. David Landale, formerly of Shanghai, and Hong Kong, himself a Rugby player of distinction in his day, being in the triumphant Fettes teams of 1888 and 1889, when the International, Mr. A. Methuen, Mr. Ian Macintyre, and Mr. C. E. Fleming, and Mr. W. Wetherpoon, were also playing. Captain Landale is the first Scot to play Oxford Rugby.

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ON THURSDAY, the 3rd March, 1927, commencing at 11 a.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street, 95 Cases Whisky, 87 Cases Royal Ale, AND

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Catalogues will be issued.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery. LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers, Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1927.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of The Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited):—Moris, from Amoy. Tashinyoko, from Shimomoseki. Claude Folkner, from Yokohama. Iyoneilia Bunham Tanke 71, from Amoy.

Pursell, from Kobe. Dorothy White, from Shanghai. E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent, Hong Kong Station, Feb. 24, 1927.

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List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in F. E. Telegraph Office, Hong Kong.

Abel, Miller House or Claremont, from Foochow. Breyer, from London. Hardlyler, from Hongkong. Jayme Blson, from Hilo.

E. A. LEGGATT, Superintendent, Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1927.

NOTICES.

THE SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE, 21, Praya East.

On FRIDAY NEXT, 4th March, by kind permission of Capt. B. H. Ramsay, M.V.O., R.N. H.M.S. "DANAES" DANCE BAND will give a CONCERT in the above Institute commencing at 8.45 p.m. punctually. Collection in aid of the Missions to Seamen. ADMISSION FREE.

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NOTICE.

THE INSTITUTE will re-open on TUESDAY, March 1st. Students joining classes held at Queen's College will be enrolled at the Education Department only. (Fire Brigade Station building, 3rd floor) those joining classes held at the Central British School, Kowloon, may be enrolled at that School. Entry forms may be obtained at the Education Department or at the Central British School. Hong Kong, 28th Feb., 1927.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND declared for the year ending 31st December, 1926, at the rate of Three Pounds Sterling together with a Bonus of Two Pounds Sterling is payable on and after the 28th February 1927, at the Offices of the Corporation where Shareholders are requested to apply for warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, A. H. BARLOW, Chief Manager, Hong Kong, 26th Feb., 1927.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on SATURDAY, 5th March, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st February to 5th March, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents, Hong Kong, 12th Feb., 1927.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

SIXTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON

SATURDAY, 5th March, at 9.15 p.m., at the THEATRE ROYAL.

MAIN EVENT:

15 Round Contest for Welterweight Championship of the Colony STOKER NORMAN MORRIS H.M.S. "Hermes"

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HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1927

1st, 2nd & 5th March.

MEMBERS' BADGES.

MEMBERS' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members, who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure. A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before Saturday February 26th, 1927, at a cost of \$10 each per day or \$30 for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge. On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days racing.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$3, per day for all persons, including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1—per day. Admission by ticket only.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

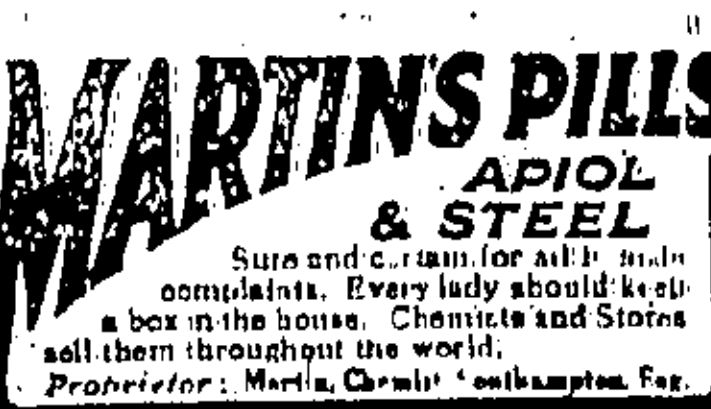
By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, 15th Feb., 1927.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE have this Day removed our offices to York Building (Top floor) Chater Road.

THOMSON & CO. Chartered Accountants, Hong Kong, 23th Feb., 1927.



HOLT'S WHARF, KOWLOON.

In the event of consignees not taking delivery of the undermentioned goods by the 11th March, they will be sold by PUBLIC AUCTION to defray cost of storage, etc.

Ex-Steamer	Marks	Packages	Date of Arrival
"Laomedon"	S 6 S	7 bds. Plates	23/4/22
"Helenus"	Chop Jang Kit	1 case Glassware	5/2/26
"Machon"	WOC	1 case Hardware	6/3/26
"Trollius"	C T H C	1 case Beer	4/4/26
"Agapenor"	Pedeco	1 case Samples	2/6/26
"Eumeneus"/"Keemun"	MAC	2 boxes Tinplates	11/6/26
"Asphallion"	N/M	4 boxes Tinplates	7/7/26
"Telemachus"	VOC	1 cask Oil	18/8/26
"Euryades"	ITC	1 box Tinplates	19/8/26
"Euryades"	B M	3 bags Soda	19/8/26
"Trollius"	DB & C	3 kegs Paint	2/10/26

THINGS TO SOLVE.

SCIENCE SECRETS AND PROMISE OF 1927.

CHARACTER TO ORDER.

Not long ago any suggestion of the "future possibilities" of science was looked upon askance by the learned professions, writes Professor Low in the "Daily News."

To-day time has taught most people that science is little but intelligent prophecy under the influence of the tendencies of the past.

Facts hardly exist in technology. Most of our schoolboy learning has become scarcely more than a joke in the light of even our present day very limited knowledge of the atomic theory. That it is only a theory is painfully evident. It has been already suggested by those competent to speak that the atom itself may be a world whose inhabitants are trying hard to communicate with us.

All we can do at present is to express an opinion, and to add that, as many believe, it is quite likely to be true.

It is more than likely that during the coming year some method of sex determination prior to birth may be developed, and it is far from impossible that the very nature of children may be determined or altered by the biochemist with his increasing knowledge of the secreting glands.

In the very far future, I do not regard the possibility of synthetically building the character as at all ridiculous.

In 1927 radio will grow vastly. All England is to be wired by the Electricity Commission, and radio accumulators may suffer in consequence. They may become quite unnecessary during the next two years if science should teach us the possibility of a cold emitter.

Away With Aerials.

We shall surely do away with our aerials, and high tension batteries will perhaps begin to dwindle.

It is high time that the beam (of directional) system was applied in some small measure to our entertainments. The public recognises that education must be interesting if it is to educate, and it surely will not put up with the one-programme broadcast for much longer.

Beam radio might give us the power to sweep the country with periods or bands of education and pleasant music.

I have no doubt that short-wave selectivity, would enable wireless control rapidly to be developed as a weapon; ultimately to become serviceable for postal services, and in the far distant future to steer our vehicles along uninteresting aerial journeys as power is picked up from afar.

Television may become commercially practicable by further investigation of short-wave wireless, and pure reproduction would then give us the radio talking cinema in our homes.

A broadening of our views on the subject of general education, and particularly the teaching of foreign languages, must follow from flying, and radio, for it is becoming increasingly absurd to

find that after every 10-guinea fare on a plane a new language becomes necessary to ask for our bed and breakfast.

Traffic Problem.

The traffic problem will certainly not diminish in one year.

I believe that new methods of lighting our silenced main streets will be developed, illuminated kerbs may be introduced, and overhead travelling bridges will help to save the loss of time which causes the public to risk its life and neglect the wearisome subway.

I believe that aeroplanes will become so comfortable that busy men will fly as they would take a bus.

Fool-Proof Motor-Cars.

Motor-cars will become far more luxurious, while automatic devices will make the average car more fool-proof.

New foods will certainly be discovered; no doubt new methods of electrical treatment will help us to cope with the nervous diseases which will spring up, and I hope that glandular treatment will be so simplified that all can benefit.

It is high time that our foods became less bulky. There is something gross about the man of 1927 stuffing himself with pounds of food "to extract therefrom a few ounces of benefit."

At Bethlehem.

Nothing is more important in the coming year than that we should all realise our own ignorance.

Does it not make you long for progress when you know that in 50 years' time the world will laugh and say, "Good Heavens, how ignorant, how coarse, and animal-like, they were in 1927?"

I learnt at Christmas, that the streets of Bethlehem are made hideous by the hooting of motor-car horns. What strange vehicles in two thousand years' time will convey the telepathic sensation of its presence to the world, as it floats through the streets of covered London in 3927?

POET AND JUDGE.

DINNER WHICH WAS NOT PAID FOR.

A young Italian with be-frizzled hair, and dressed in the Bohemian fashion of fifty years ago, was brought up for trial in Milan for giving dinner parties without paying for them. The judge made a shrewd guess at his age:

"Yes," answered the young man, "as you see, I am not yet 'Nel mezzo del cammin di nostra vita.'"

When the judge congratulated him upon his knowledge of Dante, the young man reeled off the rest of his acquaintance with the world of authors until he was pulled up by a caustic remark about his intimacy also with swindlers.

"Do not talk to me about such miserable trifles, I who have shaken hands with Marconi," replied the irrepressible debtor; and his defence went on these lines. "I am a poet; out of my brain verses overflow."

"And cheatings," added the judge.

"But what can you expect?" asked the defendant. "I had no more money. 'Carmina non dant panem.' You doubtless understand Latin?"

"But, who did you think was going to pay for the dinners?"

And the young man answered unhesitatingly: "Why, the two young ladies with me. . . . Be clement with me, Mr. Judge; I will write some beautiful verses for you because I am a poet whose genius will one day dazzle Italy."

The unrecognised poet got a light sentence of seven days' imprisonment and a fine of a hundred lire because, to use an Italian expression, he "did not seem to be in possession of all his Fridays."

"THIS BARRAROUS LAW."

"In the present barbarous state of our law on the subject I have no alternative but to send you to prison," said the Recorder of Liverpool, Mr. E. C. Hamer, K.C., at the Liverpool Quarter Sessions, in sentencing James Whitworth, a labourer, aged 40, to a year's hard labour for being an incorrigible rogue.

"I desire once more," added the Recorder, "to make a protest against the barbarous law which compels me to pass these idiotic sentences on people who are really mental cases. I think it is time something was done to bring our civilised law into line with more civilised European countries. It is ridiculous that a man who is a mental case should be sent to do hard labour, which can do him no possible good, simply because the people responsible for the administration of justice in this country will not take the trouble to look into the matter."

"WASTED COURT'S TIME."

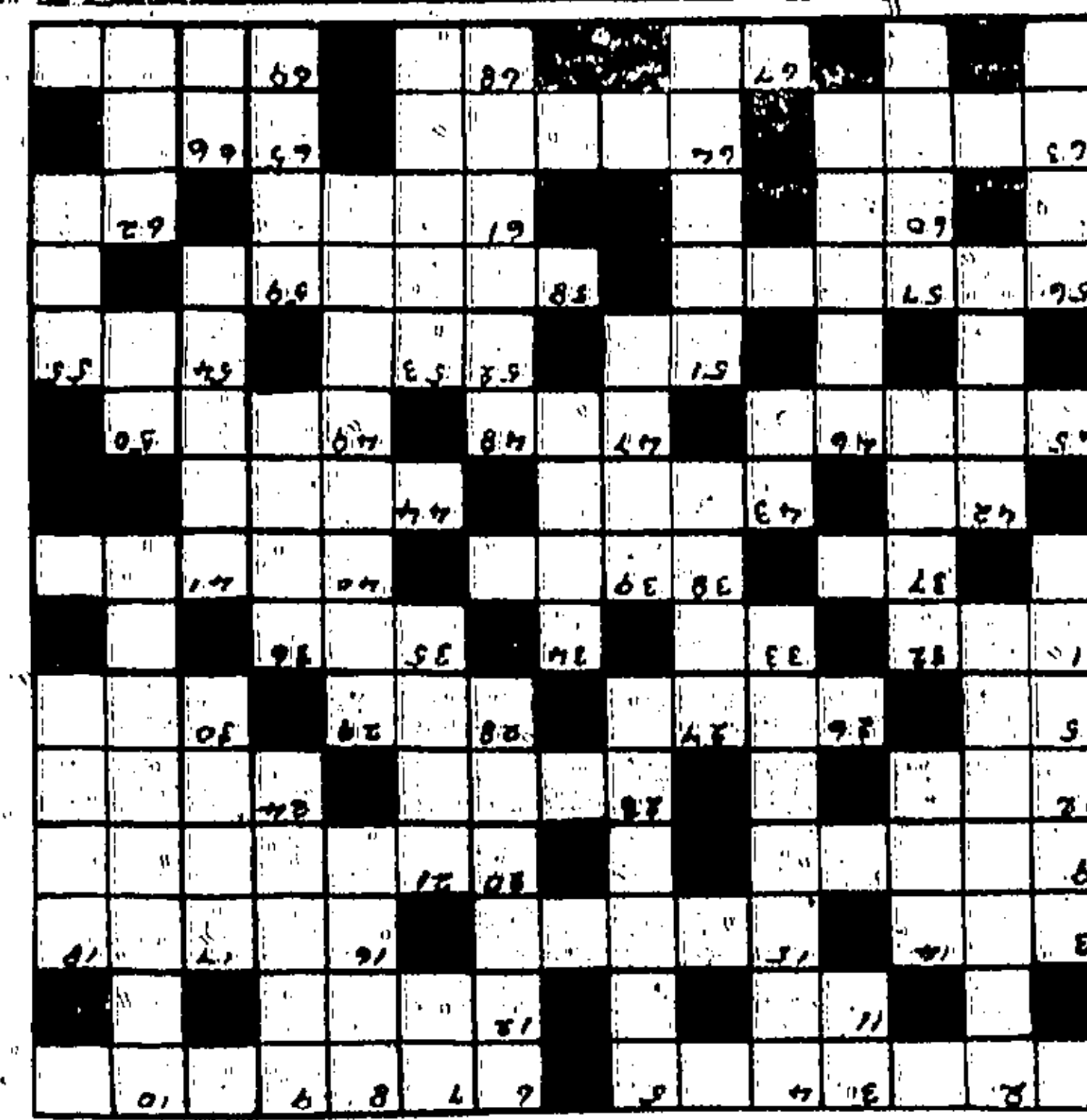
London.—Marcus Aurelius Giovanni Salvatore Formo, who claimed that he was "English-born, and proud of it," when fined 10s. for contravening the motor-tax regulations, said, "I'm sorry I have wasted the court's time." Thereupon, after paying his fine, he placed a guinea in the court's poor box.

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Clues Across.

1. To make rough.
6. "Surrounding."
11. A printer's measure.
12. To carefully examine.
13. Consumed.
14. A place where a gorm lodges and begins to develop.
15. A rumour of the camel family.
16. A subject for discussion.
20. Unlawful.
22. Greasy liquid.
23. This is "Easy."
24. A head-dress.
25. N N (actual).
26. To touch gently.
28. A small tally tag.
30. A period of time (then reverse it).
31. Laid by a hen.
32. Exclamation of surprise.
35. To tease.
37. Royal Navy (abbrev.)
38. By word of mouth.
40. Summary of articles of religious belief.
42. A tree of the Pacific.
43. A crow.
44. Denotes a thing near.
45. Jointed parts in animals.
47. To brood.
49. Ento (actual).
51. Church of England (abbrev.)
52. To be in trouble.
53. Not on.
54. A household god of divination (Heb.).
58. A type of curly-coated dog (then reverse it).
60. 3rd pers. sing. pres. of "Bo".
61. A peer of the realm.
62. Belonging to me (poss. adj.).
63. An irritating sensation in the skin.
64. The supracaudal plate of a chelonian carapace.
65. Open (poetic).
67. In like manner.
68. T S (actual).
69. To kindle.

Clues Down.

2. Non-existence; a cipher.
3. Royal Engineers (abbrev.)
4. Loss of memory.
5. Women of refined manners.
6. To help.
7. Initials of a military decoration.
8. Used for tennis, golf, etc.
9. Place of ingress or a small bay.
10. Thread-like.
13. Makes reparation.
14. A snake-like fish.
17. Same as "Again."
18. On the lee side.
21. To scare away.
29. An unmarried man.
32. Sterile.
34. Levantine spirituous liquor.
36. A derisive smile.
39. A flower.
41. To stop of bar.
42. A vetch.
43. Royal Scots (abbrev.)
46. Watery stuff.
48. A hay loft.
50. Out from.
51. The jaws.
53. Images.
55. Doomed.
56. Pertaining to chief race in the Indo-Chinese peninsula.
57. Wealthy.
59. "To-do" reversed.
62. Plural of "man."
66. To mix type.

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"SUNNING" PIRACY.

CASE AGAINST LAST TWO MEN.

CROWN EVIDENCE CLOSED.

The Crown concluded its case yesterday against the remaining Chinese charged with complicity in the "Sunning" piracy, and Mr. R. E. Lindell, before whose court the accused were brought and committed the two men for trial.

The two prisoners were shot during the piracy and were sent to hospital on the ship's arrival in Hong Kong.

Giving evidence yesterday the ship's Chinese wireless operator said he was taken to the Captain's cabin by four men, where he tried to act as interpreter. He noticed that the spark gap of his apparatus had been widened. Witness was unable to identify any of the men.

Statements made by the prisoners to the police were read in Court, and admitted by both men.

First prisoner when asked what he had to say denied that he was armed with an automatic pistol as alleged by one of the witnesses.

Second prisoner said he was a steerage passenger and did not go forward until the fire alarm was raised after midnight.

"HANON" CHARGE.

The Chinese charged with being implicated in the recent piracy of the French steamer "Hanon" was again before Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday, on an application from the French authorities for his return to Indo-China to stand his trial there.

The Chinese ship's comrade who identified the accused as an active pirate described the piracy, from the firing of the first shot to the time of the vessel's arrival at Bias Bay. He said he saw accused carrying a gun and removing loot into a cabin.

On the application of Inspector Murphy the hearing was formally adjourned for one week to enable the police to produce evidence as to the murder of an Annamite ship's guard.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" from Hong Kong arrived London on Feb. 27, at 2 p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benavon" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London, Stranraer and Philadelphia, is due to arrive here to-morrow.

The m.v. "Delhi" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on mails, and is due here on March 3, Jan. 25, and is due here to-morrow.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 27, at 9 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on March 3.

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on Feb. 28, p.m., and is due here on March 6, at about 7 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" left Yokohama on Feb. 26, and is due at Vancouver on March 6, about 2 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Feb. 26, and is due here on March 18.

COLLISION IN HARBOUR.

A collision occurred in the harbour off Salt Fish Lane yesterday between a cargo boat and a trading junk. The former sustained damage to the extent of \$100. No one was injured.

After the new Blue Star liner "Arundora", 14,000 tons, had been launched at Birkenhead, it was carried up river by the tide and collided with one of the dredging boats of the Mersey Harbour Board, had its stern plate damaged.

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Passengers arriving at Hong Kong on Feb. 28 on the "President Wilson" from San Francisco via Shanghai were:-Mr. G. Allen, Mr. W. H. Alder, Miss J. Ahwee, Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson, Miss F. Blythe, Miss Chu Lum-buk, Mr. Ma Shun-chee, Mr. A. Gerondal, Miss F. Hyland, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McArdle, Mr. I. Mahle, Mr. C. Muller, Mr. C. J. Nahas, Mr. R. S. Norman, Mr. K. H. Pang, Mrs. M. A. Silva Remedios, Mr. F. X. Remedios, Miss Ah Sam, Mr. T. Schneider, Mr. B. W. Simpson, Mr. Yuen Fook-sing, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart, Mr. H. L. Tsung, Mr. C. Wallace, Mr. Lee Wing, Mr. W. K. Wise.

Among the passengers who arrived at Hong Kong on Feb. 25 on the N.Y.K. "Hakusan Maru" from Shanghai and Japan were:-Mr. I. Aitaki, Mr. E. F. Bateman, Mrs. T. K. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. H. Chatley, Mrs. A. Chatley, the Misses S. A. and E. M. Chatley, Mrs. M. Chambers, Dr. P. J. Donoghue, Mr. J. Mrs. F., the Misses H. and I. and Mr. D. Erichsen, Dr. W. H. and Mr. S. H. Kuhn, Mr. and Mrs. Ching, Ean-lin, Miss Iris Lin, Mrs. M. L. Macfie, Miss J. J. McPherson, Mrs. V. Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. W. North and Miss C. and Mr. S. North, Dr. W. R. Parker, Mr. J. Pringle, Mr. and Mrs. C. Shepherd and Miss L. C. Shepherd, Mr. J. Zeisler, Mr. J. M. G. Anderson, Mr. A. Evans, Mrs. N. Evans, Mr. A. Fieldgaard, Dr. E. Farrow, Mr. F. F. W. Milne, Mrs. R. Milne, Miss A. I. Saltmarsh, Mr. C. T. Stanhope, Miss M. E. Waterman, Mr. H. S. Creighton, Mr. E. Creighton, Mr. F. Sharp, Mr. T. A. Slingsby, Mr. S. Bellin.

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EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 4	July 7
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KASHGAR	9,006	12th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & R'dam
NAGPORE	6,283	14th March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
NYANZA	7,023	16th March	Marseilles, London & Hull
MONGOLIA	10,504	19th March	Marseilles, London & Hull
MACEONIA	11,120	22nd April	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,133	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & R'dam
DEVANHA	8,165	12th April	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
DELTA	10,002	27th April	Marseilles, London & Hull
MALWA	10,002	30th April	Marseilles, London & Hull
NELLORE	6,853	11th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHYBER	9,133	14th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
NYANZA	7,023	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
MOREA	10,018	28th May	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,006	11th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANTUA	10,002	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,133	9th July	Marseilles, London & Hull
MACEONIA	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles & London

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KHYBER	9,114	11th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
JANUS	4,824	12th March	Kobe
DEVANHA	8,156	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TILAWA	10,000	22nd March	Kobe
LAHORE	6,538	27th March	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MALWA	10,000	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
DELTA	8,007	1st April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
ARAFURA	9,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
JEPPORE	7,648	12th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLORE	6,853	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHYBER	9,133	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	20th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
MOREA	10,053	20th April	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
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AN INTERESTING REVIEW.

Mr. William Ropner, of Messrs. R. Ropner and Co., Ltd., ship-owners, West Hartlepool, has a wide experience of the operation of cargo tramp fleets, and his anticipations regarding the outlook for 1927 will be read with interest. In the course of his review of 1926, Mr. Ropner says:

"There can surely be no sound reasoning to support those who would appear to conclude that the demand for commodities to make up the shortage consequent upon the strike will result in an immediate and above all a permanent improvement all round; the lessons of the year and fictitious boom which followed are surely not so soon forgotten. We cannot lose £3,400,000,000 through the coal strike and yet benefit thereby."

"The quantity of coal exported during the strike and up to the end of November from the North American ports, chiefly to the United Kingdom but in a lesser degree to the Continent, would appear to have been about 14,000,000 tons. Large quantities of coal were also imported from the Continent and other ports, a portion even from South Africa. The demand for vessels to carry this coal became very insistent. The rate of freight from North America to the United Kingdom, which in the first days of the strike averaged about 11s. per ton, rose as high as 35s., and in a few exceptional cases even to 40s. Profits to shipowners were, however, by no means proportionate to the increase in freight. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to say that never in the history of shipping have the paper calculations and anticipations of the owners proved so wide of realisation. Coal for bunkering purposes, which in the first days of the strike could be bought at Continental ports at about 15s. to 18s. per ton, rose in price until 70s. per ton, and even more, was paid, while in Britain small parcels could only be obtained at 45s. to 55s. 10s. per ton. The quality of the coal purchased at Continental ports frequently proved to be very inferior, many cases being reported where vessels were unable to raise steam with this coal."

Bad Fuel Delays.
"It cannot be claimed that the average British cargo tramp vessel is the ideal vessel for an Atlantic passage in ballast during the period of the equinoctial gales. Although, as records show, she is perfectly safe, she makes but poor progress, even with good bunker coals, when the weather conditions are against her; when, however, she has to contend against both bad weather and bad fuel the task becomes well nigh insuperable, and as the autumn gales this year were of unusual intensity and long continued, many are the tales of vessels which were unable to reach their destinations and were compelled to put into the Atlantic bunkering ports for fresh fuel supplies, the bills for which added to the daily cost of the extra time occupied upon the trip swallowed up the entire profit which was anticipated from the voyage. Fortunately boats did well, but if we put the immediate benefit from the strike to the cargo tramp owner as representing a return of 3 per cent. upon the capital invested in that class of property we shall probably not be far from the truth."

LEE SHORE.

BRITISH STEAMERS TIMELY ARRIVAL.

LIFEBOAT WORK IN GALE.

Further details of the gallantry in which two members of the Mercantile Marine Service Association displayed that courage so inherent amongst British seamen have come to light. The story of the rescue is that on the afternoon of November 18, when the "Sheaf Brook" was 80 miles N.N.E. of the Burlings, she sighted the Portuguese schooner "Maria do Céu" flying signals of distress and sinking fast. A westerly gale with a high sea prevailed at the time, the position of the schooner, necessitated that in any act of rescue the master of the "Sheaf Brook" would be compelled to bring his vessel close to a lee shore, which operation, as she was in ballast, was hazardous, causing him a great deal of anxiety. He, however, decided to attempt the rescue, and on making a call for volunteers every member of his crew eagerly responded. On manoeuvring close to windward of the wreck a lifeboat—in charge of Chief Officer M. Reay—was, after considerable difficulty, launched, and pulling away to the schooner, took off her crew of nine, including the captain's wife and child, ultimately returning to the "Sheaf Brook" in safety, when every hospitality was rendered them. They were subsequently landed at Setubal none the worse for the trying ordeal through which they had passed.

Captain Hooper, of the "Sheaf Brook" in making his report, states that the whole operation was carried out in a most creditable manner and worthy of the best traditions of the sea. The chief officer's skill in handling the boat is to be highly commended, and Captain Hooper also speaks proudly of the eagerness displayed by both sailors and firemen in responding to the call for volunteers and to their services in lowering and hoisting the lifeboat.

Both Captain Hooper and Mr. Reay reside in South Shields, and have been members of the association for some years. Captain Hooper being one of the youngest masters afloat. The association, proud of its members, has taken steps to ensure that suitable recognition is afforded the gallant deed.

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The Moscow "Workers' Gazette" reports the death of the former Bolshevik executioner Shabin, who was recently sentenced to ten years' imprisonment by a Soviet court for embezzlement.

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Every judge knew that perjury was disgracefully prevalent in Britain. Mr. Justice Acton remarked in sentencing a postman who admitted having made a false statement in the Divorce Court.

"To conclude, had it not been for the strike, an optimistic view of the coming year would have been justified. As it is, however, it would be unwise to anticipate more than a moderate return upon capital invested in cargo tramp shipping, and extreme caution should be exercised in considering the question of purchasing further new tonnage."

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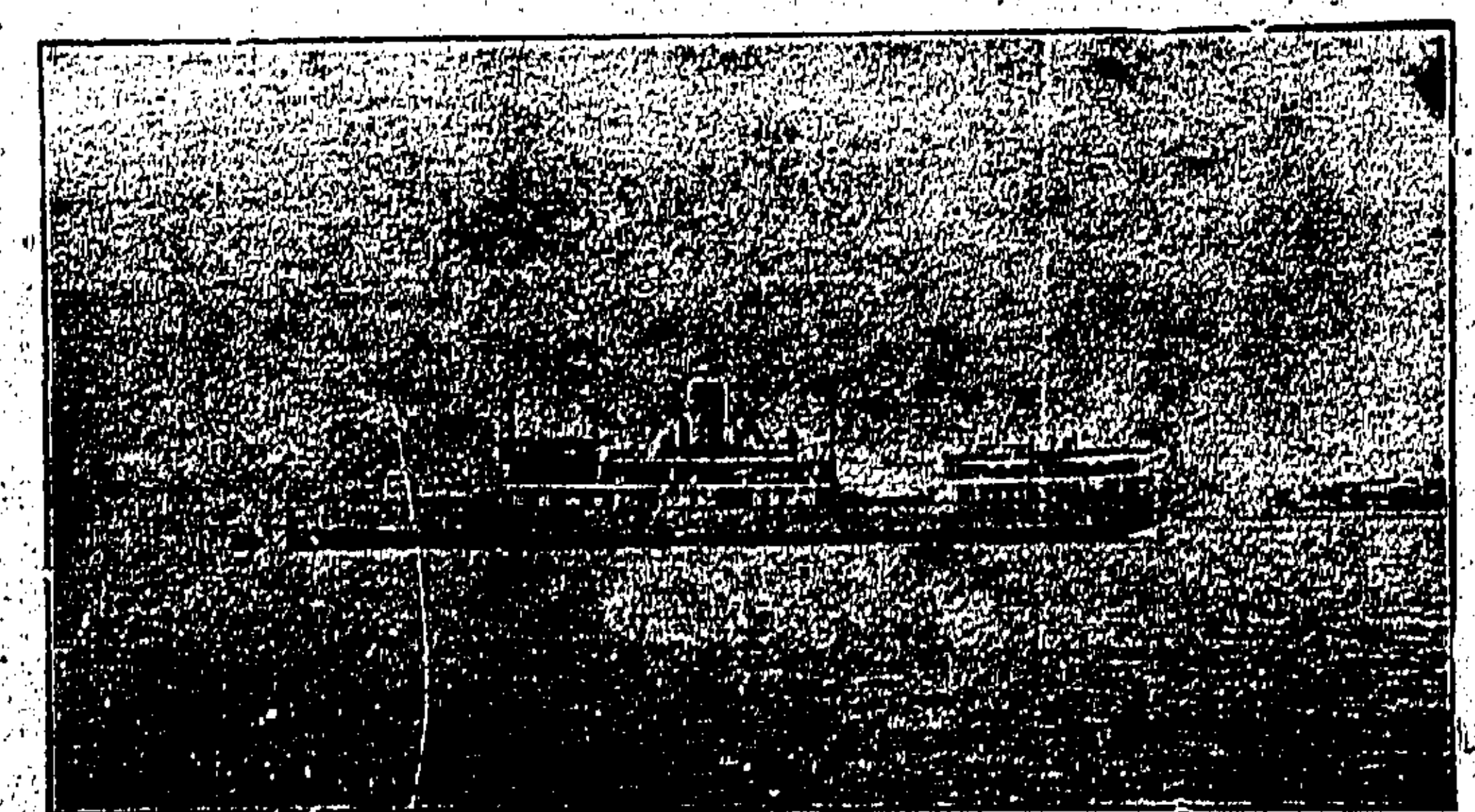
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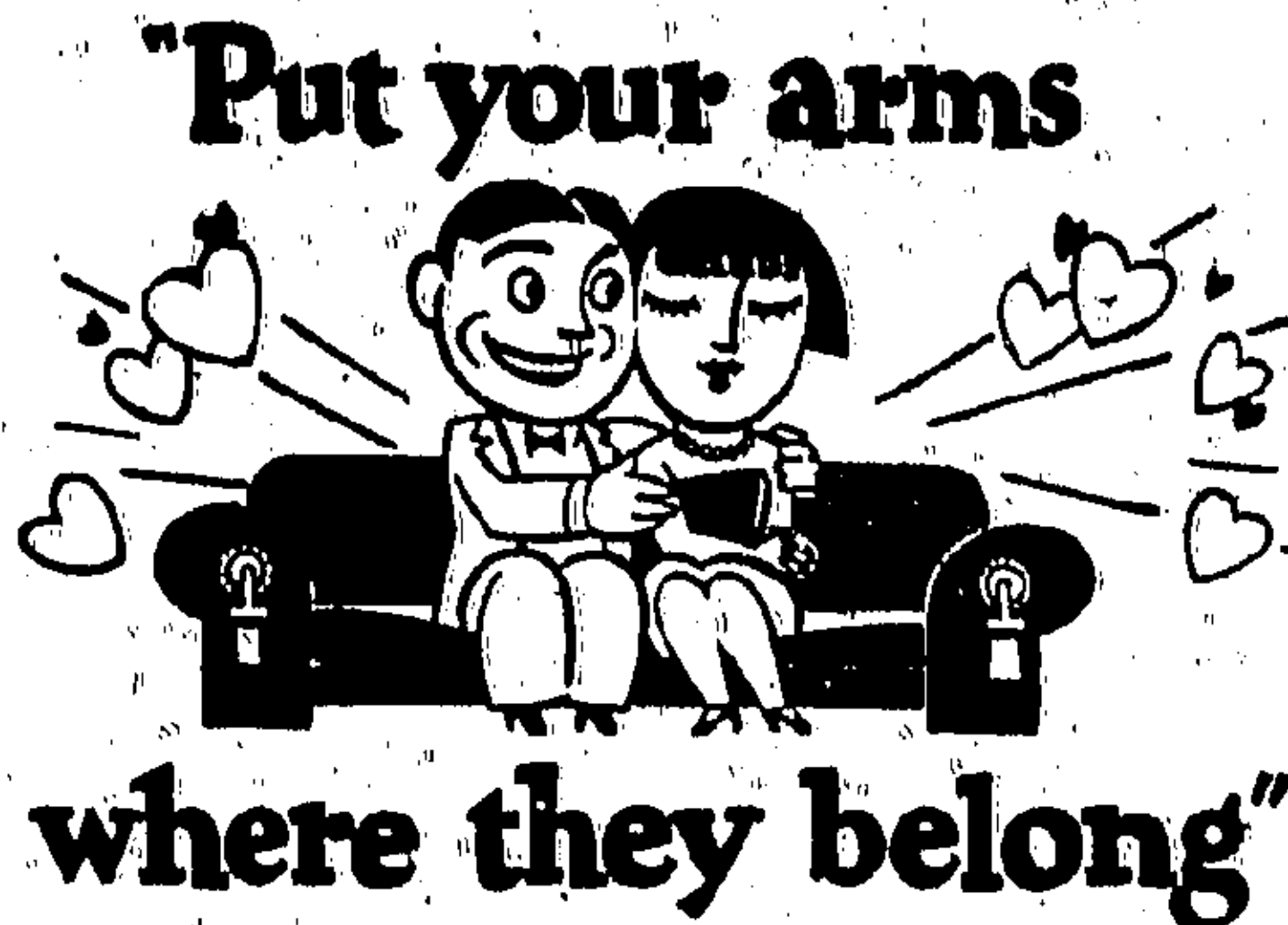
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CROCODILE TEARS.

Mr. Tom Mann, the Socialist
agitator and a prominent figure in
numerous strikes at home and in
Australia, has been moved to
tears at the ripe old age of 71
years. It is very pathetic to think
that he should travel all the way
to Canton to shed a few tears! The
cause of the "moisture" was
simple enough—merely what the
"Canton Gazette" describes in its
usual "naive" manner as an
"eloquent" address by a ten-
years-old boy in appealing for
"world unity of all exploited
classes and peoples." The "Canton
Gazette" rightly says that
"such a spectacle would be calcu-
lated to reduce any normal adult
to tears." It would surely do that!
Little wonder that an abnormal
person of 71 summers fell to it!
It was worth while travelling
10,000 miles and parting with a
few valueless crocodile tears to
hear a youngster stuck up on a
platform and giving expres-
sion to words and phrases the
meaning of which he
must be woefully ignor-
ant. Cinema producers ap-
pear to have lost the chance of a
lifetime for a picture based on a
real "tragedy" in Chinese politi-
cal life. The sob-stuff manufac-
tured on the spot by Mr. Tom
Mann would alone have been
worth a ransom to Hollywood
directors of the silver screen.

To speak seriously—if such is
possible on this subject—Mr. Tom
Mann and the others who went to
Canton as "comrades" of the
Third International, must have
had sufficient experience of de-

monstrations of the nature staged
in Canton to distinguish between
the natural and the artificial. Mr.
Mann and his clique must have
performed similar manoeuvres
during labour disputes at home
in an effort to win the crowd or
catch votes. The Socialist Press
knows as well as anybody the
value of cartoons depicting starv-
ing women and children pleading
to opulent capitalists for the
wherewithal to buy a few crumbs
of bread. It does not require a
ten-years-old Chinese boy to plead
to an inspired audience for "world
unity of all exploited classes and
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Mr. Tom Mann to thousands of
Chinese homes to give him con-
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places in Canton where all the
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discarded in the exploitation of
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children not yet in their teens.
If Mr. Tom Mann has struck a
sentimental patch, he will as-
suredly find many an outlet for
his tears before he leaves the
Kwangtung Province. He will
see much that will "make him cry
his eyes out" and with much
greater provocation than that
which so melted him at the chil-
dren's demonstration in Canton
last week.

Origin of the Derby.

Racing in England, and that is
to say in the world, owes much to
our old families, but none of them
has done more than the House of
Stanley, of which Lord Derby is
the present head. As an
organised sport horse-racing
began in the years when Charles
II. used regularly to move his
Court to Newmarket Heath. We
know that as early as 1680 the
Derby family were winning races.
A century later the twelfth Earl
had a hunting-box, for his stag-
hounds at Epsom, called The
Oaks. In gratitude for the
sport which he showed his neigh-
bours, they arranged, in 1779,
"The Oaks Stakes for three-year-
old fillies" and Lord Derby won
it. In 1780 they followed it with
"The Derby Stakes of 50 guineas
each; h. ft. colts and fillies. The
last mile of the course." But
the winner was not from Lord
Derby's stable. Sir Charles Bun-
bury's chestnut colt Diomed is the
first name written on the roll
which now bears the name of the
Earl of Derby's Sansovino, who
won in 1824. This was the first
time the Derby colours had won,
but not for want of trying. Lord
Derby once stated that for the
whole hundred and forty-four
years the Derby had been in exist-
ence the heads of his family, with
one exception, had laboured to

win it. The best efforts, till his
own time, were those of the four-
teenth Earl, the Victorian Prime
Minister, who loved racing at
least as well as he loved politics.
It was not his luck ever to win
the Derby, Oaks, or St. Leger, but
the favourite for the Derby in
1858, Toxophilite, was his horse.
In the twenty years before 1863,
the period of his most strenuous
activity, both in politics and in
sport, he won in stakes about
£94,000.

CORRESPONDENCE.

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
MANAGEMENT.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—It is surprising how lit-
tle active interest is taken by
shareholders in the management
of companies in which they in-
vest their money. I have seen it
stated somewhere that a people
have the government they de-
serve. If this be true of nations
it must be no less true of share-
holders in some of our
local companies. A healthy
interest on the part of
shareholders in all that concerns
a company is the best guarantee
of that company's success and
prosperity. Can it be wondered
at that the management of a
company in which the share-
holders evince no interest in time
comes to disregard the share-
holders entirely and when the
shareholders do wake up and
make their voices heard the
minority may by clever
manoeuvres stifle all attempts at
reform if such reform be desir-
able in the interests of the com-
pany. It is also possible for a
small clique to obtain the direc-
tion of a company owing to lack
of interest and want of under-
standing by the shareholders of
the issues involved. A casual
observer might consider a majori-
ty of votes cast at a meeting to
be conclusive evidence of the
wishes of the shareholders of
that company. Such is not al-
ways the case. Quite recently at
a company meeting the voting
was participated in by 27 share-
holders each holding one share
only and by 92 shareholders each
holding five shares only. One of
the principal speakers on the
same side is the registered
holder of seventy shares and his
companion speaker who spoke
with no less force and authority
is the registered owner of one
hundred shares. And yet these
speakers and their friends with
one and others with five shares
to their credit carried the day as
far as the voting at that meeting
was concerned.

If shareholders and investors
will not attend meetings of lim-
ited liability companies, what is to
be expected but that which does
sometimes happen.

Yours, etc.,

ONLOOKER.

Hong Kong, Feb. 28.

ST. DAVID'S DAY.

OBSERVANCE BY LOCAL
SOCIETY.

WREATH ON CENOTAPH.

In observance of St. David's Day,
members of the local Welsh Society
(Cymdeithas Dewi Sant) attended
at the Cenotaph at eleven o'clock
this morning when Mr. D. J. Lewis,
President, placed a wreath there on
behalf of the Society.

Among those present were Mr. J.
Owen Hughes, Mr. L. E. Hopkins,
Commander Williams, R.N.A., Mr.
David Davies, Mr. H. Owen Hughes,
Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, Mr. J. S.
Thomas, and Mr. E. Wynne Jones.
The Society is holding a dinner
to-night at the Hotel Savoy.

U.S. WARSHIPS.

OVER \$26,000,000 MORE TO BE
SPENT.

Washington, Feb. 28.
The House of Representatives
has passed and sent to the Senate
Bill authorizing the expenditure of
\$26,150,000 to modernise the battle-
ships "Oklahoma" and "Nevada,"
including the elevation of turret
guns, and to complete three ships
now being constructed—Reuter's
American Service.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

One case of small-pox and one
of diphtheria, both Chinese, were
notified yesterday.
Last week there were eight
cases of small-pox, six proving
fatal. They were all Chinese,
and two were imported.
There were five cases of enteric
fever, of which three proved
fatal. Two were British and the
other three Chinese.
Four cases of diphtheria were
also notified, two fatal. One was
British and the others were
Chinese.

BRUTAL ROBBERS.

A CAUSEWAY BAY JUNK
RAIDED.

ARREST OF THREE MEN.

About one o'clock this morning
the occupants of a passenger junk
at Causeway Bay were awakened
by a small row boat bumping into
their craft. Before they were clear
as to what was happening five men
boarded the passenger boat. One
of the men said they were searching
for arms. He caught hold of the
mother and cutting her wrist
with a chopper removed a pair of
bangles worth \$30.00. The old
woman's husband attempted to go
to her rescue but was promptly
knocked on the head by one of the
other men and rendered uncon-
scious. Wong Mui's sister blew a
police whistle whereupon the five
robbers jumped overboard. One
succeeded in reaching the shore and
making his escape. The other four
were fished out by the crews of
launches in the vicinity and handed
over to the police.

DER A. WING'S.

SALE OF PRINTING
DEPARTMENT.

COURT APPLICATION.

Confirmation of special resolu-
tions passed at meetings of Der A.
Wing and Company, paper mer-
chants, stationers, printers, etc.,
for the reduction of capital was
given at the Supreme Court this
morning by Mr. Justice Wood. The
reduction it was explained, was in
connection with the sale of the
printing department.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., ap-
peared for the petitioning Company.
The Company was incorporated in
1923, he explained, with offices at
60, Des Voeux Central with a capital
of \$500,000, divided into shares
of \$10. Shortly after its incorpo-
ration, 16,760 of these shares had
been issued (on 4,610 the calls had
not been paid).

At extraordinary general meet-
ings held on September 29 and Octo-
ber 13 resolutions were passed for
reducing the capital to \$450,000 in
\$10 shares.

The plant and goodwill of the
printing department of Company is
to be assigned to Mr. B. W. Brad-
bury and Mr. Chan Tong in ex-
change for the 4,000 shares for can-
cellation and also the payment of
\$8,000 specified claims of people
who supplied machinery. The
Linotype and Machinery Company
is mentioned. The money, it was
indicated, had been placed with
Messrs. Wilkinson and Crist.

Advertisements had been placed
and these were in order, it was
stated, and His Lordship granted
the application for confirming the
resolutions.

A GOOD DISPLAY.

LITTLE DANCERS' CONCLUDING
DISPLAY.

MISS CAPELL'S PUPILS.

Despite the counter-attraction
of the Races, there was a large
attendance at the matinee per-
formance yesterday of Miss V.
Capell's dancing pupils who gave
an even better performance than
on Saturday night. The ensem-
bles met with particularly good
response, "The Spirit of
Carnival" and "Nippy" going
with a real swing that captivated
the audience and led to insistent
demands for more.

The orchestral support was
stronger than on Saturday night.
At the conclusion of the per-
formance flowers and chocolates
in profusion were handed up to
the youthful performers by par-
ents and others appreciative of
their efforts.

Special thanks are due to Miss
Vaughan, who was at the piano,
both during the rehearsals and the
performances, and also to
Mrs. Miles, Mrs. Machado, Mrs.
Gaun, Mrs. Bloxham, Mrs. Tay-
lor, Miss K. Gourdin, Mr. W. J.
Carroll, Mr. H. Dineley and the
two bandmen from H.M.S.
"Hermes," who all materially
contributed towards the success
of the effort.

RUBBER SALES.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. advise the
following sales made to the
Straits:—
Allenbys \$3.00
Ayer Moleks \$2.75
Himans \$2.80
Pajamas \$2.85
Sanderofsky \$3.10

The following dividends have
been declared, viz:—
The Naborough Rubber Estate
(F.M.S.) 5 per cent. Int. 25
Colinsburgh Estate 12½ per cent.
Int.
Ayer Moleks 20 per cent. Final
(making 40 per cent for the year).
Nyalas 8 per cent. Int.

The total output of the Kailan
Mining Administration's mines
for the week ending February 12,
amounted to 932 tons, and the
sales during the period to 54,333
tons.

RUSSIA'S REPLY.

Home Paper's Strong
Comment.

"EVASIVE AND INSOLENT."

The morning papers generally
receive the Russian Note very
coldly and signalise it as vague,
insolent and evasive.

The "Times" declares the Gov-
ernment would do well to ignore
it altogether. It is a mixture of
misstatements, false charges and
vague professions of pacific in-
tentions, the answer to which
has already been given in Sir Austen
Chamberlain's Note. The matter
should for the moment be allowed
to rest there, since a protracted
controversy will merely compli-
cate the foreign situation in
China, which is far from being
unconnected with Soviet intrigue,
but is better handled by itself.

The "Morning Post" says that,
despite its hypocritical profes-
sions the reply breathes a de-
fiant refusal to desist from the
courses which provoked Sir
Austen Chamberlain's Note.

The "Daily Telegraph" says the
reply is a voluminous out-
pouring of evasive verbiage and
recrimination. It is quite worth-
less for the purpose for which
it is nominally intended. It is
not for our Government to ac-
cept a challenge to enter a disputa
on a matter which is incontro-
vertible, and whereupon its own
attitude has been stated in suf-
ficiently plain terms.

"Blackguards."

The "Daily Mail" says the note
is insolent, mendacious, and dif-
fuse. "In authorising Sir Austen
Chamberlain to despatch his pro-
test the Government exposed it-
self to the almost proverbial con-
sequences, that he who bandies
words with blackguards must ex-
pect to be insulted. This expecta-
tion Moscow has promptly and
characteristically fulfilled."

The "Daily Chronicle" says the
Note is an elaborate piece
of special pleading, does not give
a specific answer, and holds out
no hope save in very general
terms. However, any move away
from hostility on the part of the
Soviet would be greatly welcomed
and reciprocated here, but in
view of Moscow's past record the
British public want to see its good
intentions established by per-
formance.

The "Daily News" says the
manner of the reply is that of a
urbane headmaster rebuking
more in sorrow than in anger,
the foolish escapade of a rebel-
lious schoolboy.—Reuter.

Bolshevik Responsibility.

Paris, Feb. 28.

Commenting on the Russian
reply to Britain the "Ere
Nouvelle" says that with all
their cunning one certain thing is
that Bolshevism will not succeed
in convincing the gallery that
they did not prepare and foment
civil war in China.—Reuter.

NICARAGUA.

ARRIVAL OF THE BRITISH
CRUISER.

London, Feb. 27.
A message from Corinto, Nicara-
gua, says that H.M.S. "Colombo"
has arrived and that the British
Charge d'Affaires has conferred
with the Captain.—Reuter.

Corinto, Feb. 23.
After a conference with Captain
Lecky aboard the Cruiser
"Colombo" the British Charge
d'Affaires issued a statement in
which he said that if necessary
Britain would be the first country
after the United States to recognise
the Diaz regime. Nothing would
be done except in co-operation with
the American Admiral, Laitner.

United States marines were fired
on while en route by train from
Leon to Chinandega. Nobody was
hit but orders were given to
return the fire and endeavour to
capture the assailants in future.—
Reuter's American Service.

FRANCE'S DEBT OFFER.

Washington, Feb. 28.
The Treasury has been notified
that the official offer of the French
Government to pay the United
States \$10,000,000 on account of
outstanding French war debt on
June 15 is en route from Paris.—
Reuter's American Service.

Rome, Feb. 28.—The Marquis De
Pinedo has arrived in Rio De
Janiero.—Reuter.

London, Feb. 27.—The death is
announced of Sir Luke Fildes, R.A.,
the celebrated English painter.—
Reuter.

Buenos Aires, Feb. 28.—The
American Aviators killed in the air
collision were Captain Woolsey and
Lieutenant Benton.—Reuter's
American Service.

POLICY IN CHINA.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald "Riding the Tiger."

LABOUR M.P. RESIGNS.

Foreign Secretary's Prompt Shanghai Riposte.

To-day's cables report differences in the Labour ranks over policy towards China, one member of the Party resigning as a protest. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is described by a Liberal leader as being "quietly taken where he does not want to go"—a position which must make him realise the truth of the Chinese proverb, "He who rides a tiger can never dismount."

PROMPT RIPOSTE.

Foreign Secretary Confounds Critic.

London, Feb. 28. Loud Ministerial cheers rewarded the prompt riposte of Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, replying to a supplementary question arising out of the answer to a question in the House of Commons regarding the trial of strikers arrested in the Shanghai International Settlement.

LABOUR'S ATTITUDE.

Member of the Party Resigns As Protest.

London, Feb. 28. Dr. J. Haden Guest, M.C., a member of Parliament, has resigned from the Labour Party owing to disagreement with the Party's attitude over the question of China.—Reuter.

Comdr. Kenworthy (Labour) asked if instructions would be sent to the G.O.C. and Senior Naval Officer to prevent Chinese arrested in the territory of our concession being handed over to summary execution.

Sir Austen Chamberlain pointed out that this was an international concession against the presence in which of British troops Comdr. Kenworthy and his party had consistently protested.

Comdr. Kenworthy asked whether the G.O.C. had been instructed to carry out the traditions of the British Army.

Sir Austen Chamberlain: "No. It is not necessary to instruct a British officer to carry out British traditions."—Reuter.

"RIDING THE TIGER."

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's Position.

Referring to the "vacillating and irresponsible course of the Labour Party in the present grave and difficult Chinese situation," Sir Herbert Samuel, the new chairman of the organisation committee of the Liberal Party, in a speech at the Eighty Club in London, said: "We watch an uncomfortable leader being quietly taken where he does not want to go. He realises the force of the Chinese proverb, 'He who rides a tiger can never dismount.'"

Sir Herbert Samuel announced that the committee intended to secure at least 500 Liberal candidates in the next election. He outlined the Liberal policy for dealing with the serious industrial situation and carrying out the constructive parts of the report of the Coal Commission, land reform, reduction in the cost of living, lightening of taxes and rates, electoral reform, maintenance of the strength of Empire friendship with all countries, close Anglo-American co-operation, peace and absolute loyalty to the League of Nations.—Reuter.

POSTERS AT HANKOW.

Mr. O'Malley and Mr. Eugene Chen.

London, Feb. 28. In the House of Commons, in answer to questions by Mr. H. W. Looker, who alleged that anti-British posters had been affixed in Hankow since the signing of the O'Malley-Chen agreement, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, presumed that Mr. O'Malley would call Mr. Chen's attention to any proceedings incompatible with his assurances.

Position at Tientsin. Mr. Looker asked for information on the negotiations regarding Tientsin; whether, inter alia, Sir Austen Chamberlain was aware that principles of the Hankow agreement were considered unsuitable to the conditions at Tientsin and were likely, if repeated there, materially to affect the future of the port and the British interests involved; and whether Sir Austen Chamberlain would consult responsible British opinion there before definitely committing himself to proposals to change the state of affairs.

Sir Austen Chamberlain replied in the affirmative. He stated that the discussions at Peking had not yet advanced beyond the question of general principles.—Reuter.

MR. CHEN'S APOLOGIES.

Hankow War Memorial Incident.

Rugby, Feb. 28. Answering questions about China, Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, said that some damage was done to the British War Memorial at Hankow on the overrunning of the British Concession on January 4 and Mr. Eugene Chen, Nationalist Foreign Minister, at once made profound apologies and undertook to effect necessary repairs.

He was informed that anti-British posters in English addressed to British sailors had been posted or distributed in Hankow.

Mr. O'Malley, British Legation representative, would call the attention of Mr. Chen to any proceedings which were incompatible with the assurances given by him when the agreement was recently signed.

Shanghai's Defence. Another thousand men were added to-day to the Defence Force already gathered at Shanghai to protect British Nationals and property.

They were the battalion of the Royal Marine that left Portsmouth in the "Minnesota" on January 26 and are the first of the troops sent to China from England to arrive.

The remainder of the force are expected during the next few days. The Second Coldstream Guards being due on Wednesday, unless it is decided to delay them at Hong Kong.—British Wireless Service.

HOLLAND'S MEASURES.

Thirty More Marines For Shanghai.

The Hague, Feb. 28. In compliance with a request of the Commander-in-Chief of the Dutch Indian Squadron, thirty marines are leaving Holland shortly to reinforce the crew of the battle cruiser "Sumatra" now at Shanghai. The return of thirty marines to Holland has been postponed for the same reason.—Reuter.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

The Coldstreams and Hong Kong.

Shanghai, Feb. 28. Interviewed by pressmen Major-General Duncan said that as far as he knew, for the present the Coldstream Guards are remaining in Hong Kong.

He emphasised that the mission of the Shanghai Defence Corps was "to protect British lives and property."

General Duncan is suffering from a slight fever as a result of vaccination.—Reuter.

1,000 More Marines.

Shanghai, Feb. 28. The British transport "Minnesota," with 1,000 marines, has arrived here.—Reuter.

NAVAL OIL LEASE.

"TAINTED BY FRAUD AND CORRUPTION."

SUPREME COURT DECISION.

Washington, Feb. 28.

The Supreme Court has given judgment declaring that the lease whereby E. L. Doheny's interests were to develop the Elkhills naval oil reserve and the contracts whereby they were to build storage facilities at Pearl Harbour are tainted by fraud and corruption.

The court cancelled the lease and contracts. Consequently Doheny cannot recover the money spent on carrying out the agreements.—Reuter's American Service.

SHORTS OR KILTS.

GREAT SINGAPORE VOLUNTEER CONTROVERSY.

THE BATTLE STILL RAGES.

The battle still rages in Singapore over the burning question whether Englishmen should be allowed to join the Scottish Company of the Volunteers, witness the following letter to the Editor of the "Straits Times":—

Sir,—May I, as a Volunteer, not of the Scottish Company, nor a Scotsman, but as also a member of the "Shorts" Brigade, send you a few remarks, in all modernity, as to the letter of Shorts in your issue of the 14th inst.

To be entitled to any criticism of the Scottish Company, or to write such a letter at all I can only presume that the writer is an efficient volunteer, but can I also only appeal to him as a member of our brotherhood, and to his sense of esprit de corps to consider whether it is in accordance with the traditions of the Volunteers to hold up any member of our corps to ridicule in the public press?

The trouble here in Singapore, and perhaps throughout the East, is not as to the costume a man wears whilst doing his duty to the Empire to which he belongs, but that many of the younger men who come out here prefer the costume of "flannels and shorts" to learn to play, in some cases very inferior, games of tennis or golf rather than to fit themselves for the more serious emergencies that arise, and may still arise at any time—perhaps especially at this time.

If the Scottish Company are prepared to admit men willing to undertake this duty, I feel sure that Shorts would not care to feel that his sarcasm had deterred such men from properly befitting themselves, and I feel sure that the men realise that in the dress they wear they have a reminder of a great and loyal nation, whether they come from the north or south of the border.

So far as the expression "decorative unit" is concerned, I can only quote (not being a Scot, I hope correctly):—

The rank is but the guinea's stamp.

The Man's the gowd for a that. As a Southerner I can only hope that Shorts will agree with me when I say that this is true whether the man wears kilts in the Scottish Company, or shorts or slacks as a

SASSENACH.

Singapore, February 15.

Lowland Precedent.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Sir,—There seems to be a great deal of noise about this kilt business, and all because, of the peevish ill-natured blether from one Shorts. If the question be sifted down I think it will be established beyond all doubt that the kilt, as we know it, is the dress of the Highlanders of Scotland and the Highlanders alone, and the question of real title to this splendid garb (if ever raised) would thus appear to be not confined to Englishmen only.

In lowland Scottish Regiments the kilt is only worn by the Pipers, the rank and file having Tartan trousers generally called Trews. The kilt was never worn by lowland Scots as a national dress, but there is no earthly reason why the glorious traditions of the hardy Highlanders should not be made to live by retaining their distinctive dress amongst us for all time. I deprecate fraternal bickerings, and if a non-Scot elects to join a Corps, dressed in the garb of "Old Gaul," let him, and more power to his elbow.

It is a graceful compliment to all our fellow-Britons over the border who have universally adopted the kilt, and so far from causing friction of the Shorts type should cement still closer the ties of brotherhood 'twixt the Thistle and the Rose. Quis Separabit?—Yours, etc.,

KAMMYNIX.

P.S.—Is Shorts aware of the fact that several Indian Native Regiments bear the tartans of the Black Watch, Campbell, Mackenzie, Stewart, etc., as pipe covers and plaids?

A Test First.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Good old Shorts! That's the stuff to give 'em. No one should be allowed in the Scottish Company unless he has passed a pipe-blowing, haggis-eating test. All pukka Scotsmen blow bagpipes (and eat haggis and whisky), just as all pukka Englishmen eat roast beef (and flagons of October ale—or the local equivalent).

There must be heaps of Scots and others straining to rush into the fray with the cold steel—I

mean the pen and ink. Please, Mr. Editor, do not cut short this light reading. It's given us a lot of amusement—if only for the very serious reception given to Shorts' (or should it be Shortses) pronouncement.

To be serious also—the correspondence performs a service in demonstrating that the Scottish Company is not entirely composed of Scots and that other brands of Britisher are allowed to join. Some of us were not aware of this. Personally I can do my fighting better in wee breaks than in a kilt—but it's a matter of temperament I suppose.

Anyhow here's to the Scots, Angles, Celts and Saxons, et hoc genus omne, and all the other units of the S. V. C. When they are wanted, I wager Shorts will be there with them, as well as your admiring scribe

PANTS.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Sir,—It appears to me that Shorts' observations on the Scottish Company have been misconstrued by the Kilties. It is not a question of attraction for recruiting purposes, for all are equally interested in volunteering.

I take it that Shorts intended his letter as a gesture to the O. C. Scots that their attire is not quite in order, which may be due to the inclusion of Cockneys who cannot be expected to be models for the authentic rig.

Obviously a recruit whose thighs could be tickled with the grass on a tennis court cannot display the kilt to advantage and a physical standard might be set. A company of Gordons on the march is most impressive, and I submit that our local O. C. might with advantage get into touch with their Headquarters with a view to putting our local Highlanders on a less Gilbertian footing, otherwise I doubt whether we can permit them to accompany us on our next route march.—Yours, etc.,

FROTHBLOWER.

The Man Who Began It.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Sir,—I am sorry that Captain Donald MacLeod, whose zeal in the cause of Volunteering is generally recognised, should regard my letter as a "stupid and bitter outburst." I wrote on what I considered a matter of public interest, and so far I have read nothing to change my opinion that membership of the Scottish Company of the S.V.C. should be confined to Scotsmen.

My knowledge of Singapore goes back a number of years, and I recollect the work done by the late Mr. Frank Adam to inaugurate a Scottish Company. I do not remember that it was Mr. Adam's idea that membership should be open to all and sundry. I recollect also some years ago hearing Captain MacLeod speak on the subject of non-Scottish members of the company. If I remember rightly, he said: "We have inquired into all their cases, and if they are not Scottish they have Scottish connections."

Now it seems recruits can join for the mere reason that "they want to wear the kilt." If this is necessary in the cause of recruiting by all means let it go on. I quite agree that so long as a man joins and becomes efficient one reason for joining is as good as another. Still it is news to me that the idea of keeping the Scottish Company for Scotsmen has

been given up. On sentimental grounds I think it rather a pity, especially considering that there are quite enough Scotsmen in this town to form a company of their own.—Yours, etc.,

SHORTS.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Sir,—The following quotation from the current issue of The Iron Duke, the regimental magazine of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, seems germane to this controversy:—

Kilts.—Originally the dress of those Highlanders who were too poor to afford breeches; now rapidly becoming the prerogative of multi-millionaires from Palestine and the U.S.A.—Yours, etc.,

JOCK.

Singapore, February 16, 1927.

The Scottish Company.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Sir,—Mr. Shorts is to be thanked for providing, we poor Scots with a glimpse of his humour. Has he never heard about the man who claimed to be a Scot by absorption?—Yours, etc.,

MACFLANNEL.

[To the Editor of "Straits Times."]

Sir,—Shorts will correct me if I am wrong, but it is my opinion that his letter was an artfully baited hook to draw a reply from the O. C. C. Co.

For shame Mr. Donald MacLeod. Where is your sense of humour? You have been fairly landed; admit it like a man, and don't write peevish letters to the paper.

You know as well as I do that Shorts is quite right when he mentions your having said "We have inquired into all their cases, and if they are not Scottish they have Scottish connections."

But why worry about such matters. The point is of what use are kilts except as a doubtful covering for the body? In the event of the Scottish Co. being called out in Singapore (which God forbid!), shorts would be the order of the day. Admit it my friend.

Jolly good luck to the Scottish Co.—a stout bunch of fellows, Sassenachs included—but my dear Donald, do dress them in shorts. Last week the poor fellows looked quite worn out after carrying (or should it be swinging) their kilts all the way to Katong. If you must be distinctive, wear a piece of tartan or carry a thistle, but remember that this is a tropical country.—Your overheated.

TEDDY BEARS.

"LAZYBONES."

"Lazybones," William Fox's film version of the Owen Davis stage play, which comes to the Star Theatre to-day, besides being a typical small-town play, offers a wholesome romance and a series of thrills that will make even the most blasé picture-goer gasp. The production is under the able direction of Mr. Frank Borzage and the all-star cast is headed by the ever popular Charles (Buck) Jones.

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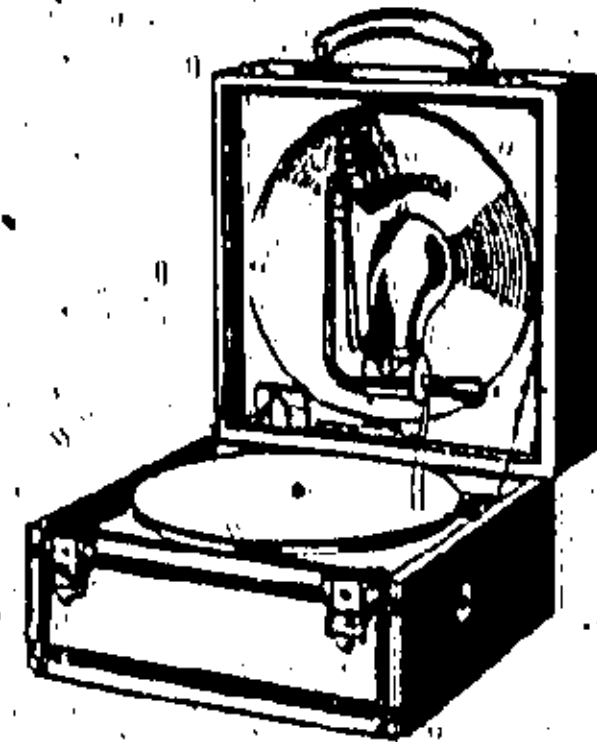
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

In connection with the alleged theft of \$30,000 which the Chartered Bank despatched from Ipoh to Kuala Kangsar, it is understood that the bank suffers no loss as the money was insured.

Grove Cottage Farm, at Lenton, near Nottingham, in which district the Prince of Wales frequently hunts, is being purchased by his Royal Highness. One of the Prince's herds of cattle may be transferred to the farm from his Cornwall estate.

The L.C.C. has taken a seven years' lease of part of the old County Hall at Spring Gardens, as the new County Hall, which cost four millions, cannot accommodate the whole of the staff.

During 1926, 2,000,577 passengers were carried by the Southern Railway's Continental and Channel Island services, probably a world's record in Continental figures. An indication of how this traffic has grown is shown by the fact that it was only in 1920 that the 1,000,000 figure was passed, the total then being 1,194,267 passengers.

The steadiness of business conditions in the Straits seems to be reflected in the weekly lists for the Singapore Bankruptcy Court, which have been very small recently.

It is not only to the children that the shipping centre of the West End appeals, for it is no uncommon thing to observe adults, gazing longingly at the pictures of sunnier countries displayed in the windows, observes the London correspondent of the Liverpool "Journal of Commerce."

The death has taken place at Ottawa, at the age of 87, of Mr. Amos B. Aeworth, who for many years was an organist at his English birthplace, Rochester, Kent. A brother, aged 51, survives at Gravesend. Mr. Aeworth was a personal friend of the late Charles Dickens, and an authority on the latter's works. Charles Dickens died in 1870 at the age of 58.

Tomorrow, being Ash Wednesday, the services at St. John's Cathedral will be conducted as follows:—Holy Communion, 7.45 a.m.; Matins, 10.15 a.m.; and Evensong at 6.30 p.m. On the following day, Holy Thursday, Holy Communion will be partaken at 7.45 a.m. Choral Evensong and Address will be at 6.45 p.m.

Diamonds estimated at \$25,000 in value were seized at New York, concealed in the socks of a Belgian seaman from a steamer which had arrived from Antwerp. The Customs officials stated that there was every reason to suppose that a well-organised ring existed, with headquarters in Europe, which was making use of men in vessels leaving Belgian ports to smuggle jewels into America.

The Royal Academy holds a collection of pictures said to be worth \$10,000,000. It consists of a number of Flemish masterpieces which have been brought from every quarter of the world for the winter exhibition. Many of the pictures have passed through great vicissitudes before they were organised as masterpieces and saved for better uses. One picture was being used as the bottom of a drawer in a kitchen dresser. Another was used as the door of a cabinet before it was taken by the children of its owner and made into a go-cart. A third was used as a board in a fishmarket in Belgium, and eels were skinned on it every day until its value was recognised.



Oswald Mosley Socialist member of Parliament, who recently won one of the bitterest campaigns ever fought in Britain. Mr. Mosley is the rich husband of Lady Cynthia Mosley.

A walk along these three streets takes about 10 minutes, and to anybody with imagination it is equal to a voyage round the world. In such a stroll one would pass the offices—each with its models or pictures—of steamship and railway companies trading to the United States, Canada, India, China, Japan, Australia, South Africa, Norway, Austria, South America, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, France, Sweden and Holland. I know of no other city where such a "Round the World" tour is possible with the ease and speed that it can be done in London.



A new portrait of Charles Chaplin, the world's greatest comedian, who is being sued for divorce by his wife, former Lily Grey, who cannot see anything humorous in the comedian's alleged 'acts of cruelty, threats of death, boasted infidelity and general incompatibility.'

There was no legal compulsion on a doctor to go to a patient simply because the patient wanted to see him, Dr. Edwin Smith, the North-East London coroner, observed at an inquest. It was his experience that 95 per cent. of the people who ran for a doctor always wanted him to go at once as a matter of urgency, without regard to other exigencies such as innumerable calls on his time.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

The Pope has given audience to General Sir Louis Vaughan and his wife.

Captain P. H. Rolfe of the Indo-China S. N. Co. went to Shanghai to-day on the "President Jefferson."

Dr. S. Seguin Strahan, the local medical practitioner, was a passenger to-day on the "President Jefferson," bound for Shanghai.

Mr. W. Lock Wei (son of the late Sir Boshan Wei Yuk), the noted tennis player, left Hong Kong to-day on the "President Jefferson."

The death is reported in a Reuter cable from London of Mr. Arthur McCamus, the Communist who received the famous Zinovieff letter.

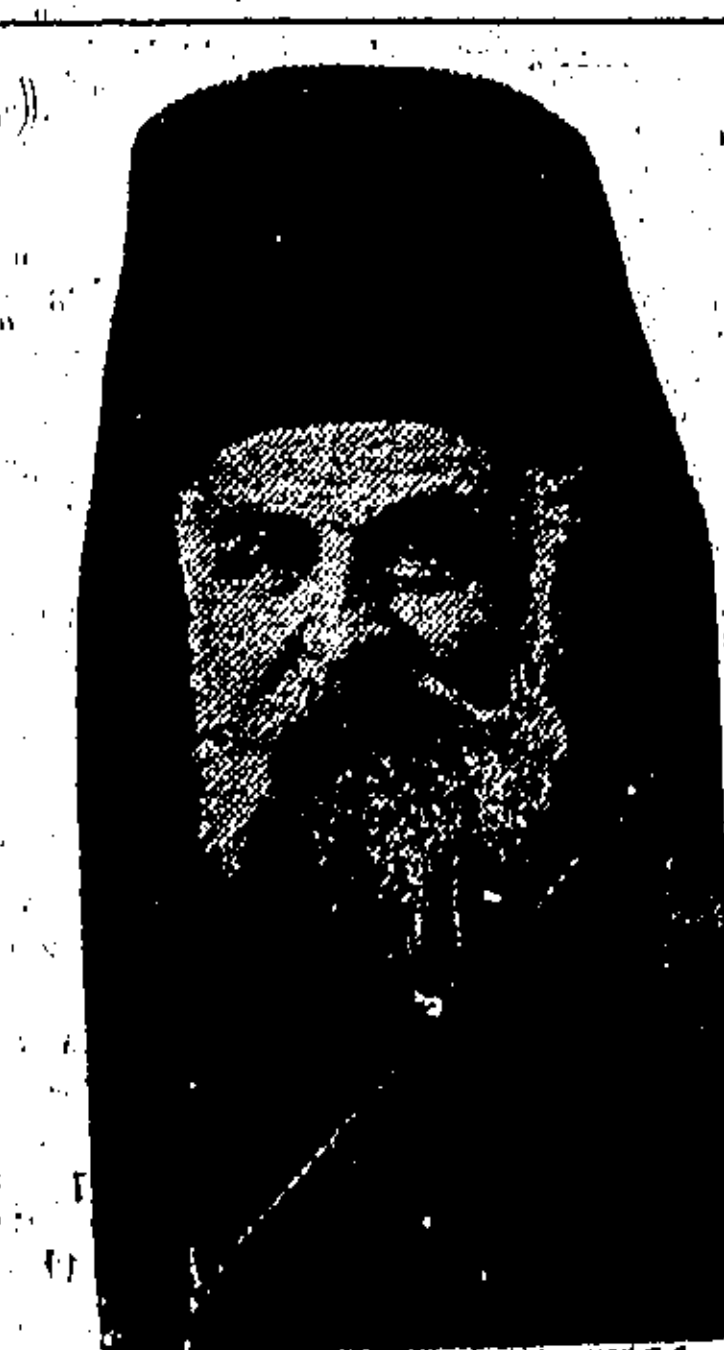
Accompanied by his wife, Mr. H. Thompson (local agent of Messrs. W. R. Grace and Co.) went on Home leave to-day, sailing for San Francisco on the "President Jefferson."

The death is announced of Sir William Madge, who was 82 years old. He started in 1881 the first Conservative Sunday penny newspaper, "The People," and was for many years associated with "The Globe" of which he subsequently became proprietor. He was responsible for the historic journalistic coup in the publication of the Salisbury-Schouvaloff Treaty in 1878.

Queen Victoria would have been surprised if she had had a vision of one of her granddaughters dancing in Hoxton with a coterie of Princess Marie Louise did in mail week, but this is no startling experience for the Princess herself, who for many years now has gone about London on her many charitable schemes in the most informal way. I once encountered her on a Tube railway platform, evidently quite familiar with the ways of underground travel. Princess Marie Louise's wide experience makes her especially good friends with the younger members of the Royal Family. The King's sons, I notice, (says an "Evening Standard" writer), always greet her eagerly, and appear to have jokes to exchange with her.

Capt. A. MacIwaine, the English rugby international, has arrived at Singapore from home on a business visit.

The following deaths were announced at Home in mail week:—The Rev. William Blomfield Sleight, vicar of St. Katharine's, Northampton, for many years;



Meron Christian, the new member of the Rumanian Orthodox Church, who is a member of the regency council of Rumania, which, in the event of the Emperor's death, would rule Rumania until the child, Crown Prince Michael, should come of age, succeeds his father, Prince Carol, is restored to his rights of succession.

The Duke of Connaught, who is at his villa at Cap Ferret, is at the same time one of the simplest and "most royal" of all members of the Royal Family (says the "Daily Chronicle"). When at Clarence House he rarely omits taking an early morning walk on fine days. Often he mingles in Pall Mall with the crowds of business folk hurrying towards work, and it is no unusual thing to see a clerk who was once in the Army come suddenly to the salute on recognising the Duke's passer-by. A great deal of his usually excellent health is attributed by the Duke of Connaught to his early training in the Army. He is essentially a soldier, and knows that job from A to Z. He is, as a matter of fact, our senior Field-Marshal, having received his baton nearly a quarter of a century ago, and he is one of the few to wear the ribbon of the Red River Expedition, which he won as a young officer in the Rifles. In spite of being only a few months short of 77—his birthday is on May Day—he is as upright as many a man 20 years his junior.

The death occurred on Feb. 9 of Mr. Willie Waugh, the well-known Newmarket trainer.

The health of Princess Victoria is far from satisfactory at the present time, and she will probably go abroad presently in the hope that change of air and scene will prove beneficial to her. Reports a "Sunday Chronicle" writer, Her Royal Highness passed the recent holidays very quietly with a single companion at her new home at the village of Iwer in Middlesex. She definitely withdrew from Court some time ago, and it is doubtful if she will be seen there again.

A Reuter cable from London states that the death has taken place of the Rt. Rev. Charles John Ridgeway, former bishop of North China. He was at one time "Prebendary of St. Paul's Cathedral and Rural Dean of Paddington. Later he was appointed Surrogate Commissary of the Archbishop of Cape Town and later still Bishop of North China. He was also a past Chaplain of Grand Lodges of Masons, both in England and Scotland and in 1908 to 1919 Bishop of Chichester. He retired in 1919. He was the author of several religious works.

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SPORTS SECTION

FOR TO-MORROW.

Ponies For 3rd Day's Races.

WHAT THE FORM SHOWS.

[By "Patrol"]

I confidently look forward to further reversals of current form to-morrow at the 3rd day of the Hong Kong Jockey Club annual meeting.

From the way things have panned out, there is more than a suspicion that quite a few griffins will take their chances to-morrow with the old uns. And where a crack pony goes to claim an allowance it should not be allowed to run loosely.

Rather than face an impost in the Phaeton Handicap, some of the griffins not quite up to Derby class may be sent in either the 3rd or 4th races.

As the "China Mail" 1st edition will be out early to-morrow, the tips had best be deferred till mid-day to-morrow.

Meanwhile I give it as my opinion that Elliot Bay—or for that matter any griffin—will not beat Bengal in to-morrow's big race (the 8th), the Champions.

Canadian should pick up a race to-morrow. A mile and a half seems too long for Misty Eve but in fair company, this pony might pay to follow as well. Of Chesapeake and San Francisco Bay, I am rather chary. I don't think Chesapeake Bay will go for the Champions. If so this griffin ought to win again. Over 1 mile to 1 1/4 miles, Canadian should beat San Francisco if they meet as the former will be able to claim an allowance.

Attaboy may be saved for the Consolation Stakes which he should win.

A great deal will depend on Mr. Dunbar's decision.

Brigade Call finished tired to-day. If the old ponies fought out the Governor's Cup my tip would be King of Hearts.

But what about Saligia. He can beat any old pony bar Bengal.

Of the subs, I must say that Kom Tong Hall disappointed badly to-day when favourably placed. There was that bit of rush at the distance post but it was not good enough to catch Skidoo who was going as strong as ever at the finish.

Both Pottenbush and Loch Tummel have improved with experience and will pay to follow especially if a jockey with experience rides Pottenbush. If kept for the last race they should both do well.

I look to Skidoo to beat Kom Tong Hall again to-morrow, but don't be surprised to see another outsider beat both.

CRICKET.

After piling up a big score yesterday on the H.K.C.C. ground, the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps defeated the Rest of the Cricket League (an unofficial team captained by Mr. A. W. Hayward) by 155 runs.

Volunteers.

Ed J. R. Mitchell, c Hayward, b 79
J. C. Lyle, c Gittins, b Lacey 1
E. C. Finch, b Dobbie 29
H. Owen Hughes, c Sturges, b 87
Rule 3
A. W. Ramsay, not out 41
J. R. Hinton, st Ismail, b Rule 0
Extras 3

Total (for 5 wks. dec.) 240
A. C. I. Bowker, W. Wooding, H. C. Burgess, G. R. Vallack did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.
Lacey 7 1 30 1
Dobbie 18 2 61 1
Goodwin 9 0 49 0
Baker 3 0 16 0
Sturges 4 0 23 0
Rule 7 4 0 29 3
Perfect 3 0 29 0

Rest of League.

A. W. Hayward, c Wooding, b 3
Bowker 3
S. V. Gittins, c Bowker, b Vallack 3
Lt. Sturges, c Mitchell, b Lee 19
Capt. Dobbie, run out 21
Capt. Perfect, run out 0
E. F. Finch, not out 18
F. Baker, b Lyle 0
F. Goodwin, b Lyle 10
A. Lacey, b Lyle 0
Sgt. Rule, b Lyle 0
St. A. Ismail, c Lyle, b Owen 5
Hughes 5
Extras 2

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.
Bowker 9 4 10 1
Vallack 10 4 13 1
Lee 7 4 12 1
Lyle 10 3 23 4
Owen Hughes 4 3 0 13 1

The following will represent the Hong Kong Club XI against 5/2 Punjabis to-morrow at 5 p.m. sharp on the U.S.R.C. ground:—S. H. Garrod; L. A. R. Duncan, D. Lyon; A. A. Dand, Major J. P. S. Grieg; Rev. N. Evans; G. B. Shipper, R. K. Valentine, F. G. L. Wheeler, Capt. E. Jacobs, Larkecom, and G. P. Lemmert (captain).

DERBY SWEEPS.

RESULT OF LATEST DRAWINGS.

THE LUCKY NUMBERS.

Below are given the results of the Derby sweep drawn by the Chinese Club and the Easma Club:—

	Ticket.	Chinese Club.	Easma Club.
1 Bay of Fundy	631	704	
2 San Francisco Bay	17,252	2022	
3 Elliot Bay	8,100	1140	
4 Chesapeake Bay	10,730	4208	
5 King of England	3,737	368	
6 King of Clubs	9,028	4222	
7 King Sol	1,434	2643	
8 Bright Eve	13,607	725	
9 Armistice Eve	9,916	2005	
10 Battle Eve	11,832	3107	
11 Misty Eve	17,087	1086	
12 The Ghost	7,258	2453	
13 The Ghoul	6,654	3804	
14 Crystal Hall	5,315	4734	
15 Golden Hall	7,560	731	
16 Marble Hall	8,423	1347	
17 White Hall	8,969	3035	
18 Kom Tong Hall	13,547	383	
19 August	6,638	1102	
20 Wower	5,939	5908	
21 Humdinger	15,808	3809	
22 Dolly	15,502	670	
23 Democrat	2,732	1493	
24 Lady Mine	7,621	2864	
25 Louisiana	7,809	1830	
26 Ole Custer	13,231	3775	
27 Southampton	12,761	2317	
28 Expor	13,522	3007	
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RACING FORM.

ANALYSIS OF 1ST DAY'S EVENTS.

STABLES & JOCKEYS.

Below is given a table of yesterday's (first day's) racing results:—

Winning Owners.	1st 2nd 3rd
Messrs. Hall and Shenton	2 1 1
Mr. L. Dunbar	2 0 1
Mr. Eve	2 0 1
Mr. Dynasty	1 1 2
Messrs. Dyer and Beith	1 1 0
Mr. Ho Kom-tong	1 0 0
Dr. J. C. Macgown	1 0 0
Mr. Roda	0 2 0
Mr. R. M. Austin	0 2 0
Messrs. R. J. Patterson	0 2 0
Messrs. Toeg and Priestley	0 1 2
Messrs. Teater & Abraham	0 1 1
Mr. Priestley	0 1 1
Mrs. Bernard	0 0 1
Winning Jockeys.	
Mr. A. N. Dallas	2 1 1
Mr. J. Pote-Hunt	2 1 1
Mr. L. P. Ralph	2 1 1
Mr. Encarnacion	2 1 0
Mr. V. M. Haimovich	1 0 0
Mr. L. Seldy	1 0 0
Mr. E. A. Brodie	0 2 0
Mr. M. M. Sokoloff	0 1 4
Mr. G. U. da Rosa	0 0 1

LOCAL RUGGER.

WEEKLY FIXTURES FOR H.K.F.C.

Civilian rugby has been resumed in the Colony under the aegis of the Hong Kong Football Club and fixtures have been arranged for each Thursday at Happy Valley commencing at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

The first match is against the R. N. Engine Room Artificers this Thursday when the following XV will represent the Club:—Armstrong; Pritchard, Bowker, Lloyd, Lammert; King, Wales; Millar, Foster, Lithgow Smith, Middleton Smith, Garrard, Lee, Williams, Beveridge.

SUSPENDED ONE YEAR.

New York, Feb. 14. Charles Phil Rosenberg, bantamweight boxing champion, and Bushy Graham, his unsuccessful challenger in 1st week's bout in Madison Square Gardens were suspended for one year by the state boxing commission to-day for conspiring in a supplemental agreement on a division of the gate on a basis not sanctioned by the commission.—China Press.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the teams in the Arts-Engineering Match to-morrow, Wednesday, at the Pavilion at 2 p.m. sharp.

Arts:—Mr. B. F. Ng (Capt.), Dr. R. Ponsonby, Mr. J. Barrow, Mr. T. E. Yook, Mr. J. E. Noronha, Mr. E. Zimmern, Mr. S. V. Gittins, Mr. F. Zimmern, Mr. A. Baker, Mr. G. G. Edwards, Mr. A. N. Other.
Engineering:—Mr. W. M. Gittins (Capt.), Prof. M. H. Roffey, Prof. A. A. Redmond, Mr. H. C. Hunt, Mr. J. L. Youngs, Mr. A. J. Hazeland, Mr. A. B. Suleman, Mr. Chong Tuck-wing, Mr. I. Tajima, Mr. S. Karmani, Mr. H. T. M. Barma.

HOME VARSITIES.

THE RIVAL "BLUES" AT PLAY.

HOCKEY & LACROSSE.

London, Feb. 19. For the fourth year in succession Oxford defeated Cambridge at lacrosse, the score being 7 goals to 8.

At Beckenham, in the inter-varsity hockey match, the Light Blues beat Oxford by 4 goals to 1. Since 1890 Cambridge have won 16 matches, Oxford 14, and 3 have been drawn, the Light Blues having a goals' aggregate of 87, compared with Oxford's 69.

The annual inter-varsity speed match resulted in a win for Cambridge by 9 wins to 4.

Last year Cambridge beat Oxford by precisely the same score.

BOAT RACE PRACTICE.

London, Feb. 19. After watching the boat race crews at practice critics are of the opinion that Oxford has a powerful and fast eight, which shows great promise.

Many changes have taken place in the Cambridge crew and up to the present positions have not been finally arranged.

\$10,000 GOLF.

HAGEN'S VICTORY OVER SARAZEN.

St. Petersburg (Fla.), Feb. 28. In a challenge golf match for \$10,000 over seventy-two holes,



Walter Hagen.

Walter Hagen beat Gene Sarazen easily in the early stages. The



Gene Sarazen.

match was played at Miami and Sanford.

Hagen won by 8 up and 7 to play—Reuter's American Service.

MARATHON RACE.

RECORD ENTRIES FOR KOWLOON.

SERVICES' MAJORITY.

Entries for the annual Kowloon Marathon race (organised by the St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Club) have closed, and a record number have been obtained.

The majority of the entries are from His Majesty's Forces, and number in all very nearly 70.

There are 25 from the 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers.

Leading Seaman Hobden, of H.M.S. "Despatch," who won the race last year in 34 minutes, 54 seconds, over a course of over six miles, and reduced the time of the previous year by six seconds, will very likely compete. Gunner Newman, of the Royal Artillery, who came in second last year, is also running again.

This year's race (next Monday) promises to be most interesting.

HOME RUGGER.

LATEST RESULTS AHEAD OF THE MAIL.

London, Feb. 19. Playing at home, Roslyn defeated Richmond by 23 points to nil.

The meeting of the London Scottish and Bristol in London produced a great struggle, the home team eventually winning by 8 points to 3.

In a free-scoring match on their own ground, Harlequins beat Oxford by 31 points to 20.

A well contested game was witnessed at Blackheath, where the home club defeated Northampton by 10 points to 4.

St. Bart's entertained the Old Merchant Taylors, an even game resulting in a win for the Hospital by a goal to nil.

The Cardiff-Newport fixture, attracted a big attendance at Cardiff, where the home side won by 9 points to 5.

Guy's playing at home, proved too strong for Plymouth, who were beaten by 13 points to 6.

LURE OF THE CUP.

FOOTBALL ENTHUSIASM AT HOME.

LONDON'S THREE CLUBS.

London, Feb. 19. With Chelsea, the Arsenal and Millwall all playing at home, the lure of the cup has proved stronger than ever throughout London, where vast crowds showed the greatest enthusiasm in the victorious march of the three teams into the sixth round of the Football Association Cup.

At Stamford Bridge no less than 63,236 spectators saw Chelsea bring off a great win against Burnley by two goals to one.

The Arsenal-Liverpool tie attracted an attendance of 43,000, who witnessed the visitors' defeat by two goals to nil.

A RECORD CROWD.

One of the finest performances of the day occurred before a crowd of 44,250 at the Den, where Millwall followed up their great victory over Huddersfield by defeating Middlesbrough, leaders of the Second Division, by three goals to two.

Previously the largest crowd accommodated at the Millwall ground was 39,700 in February 1923 for the Cup Tie against Huddersfield.

There was a big invasion of supporters from the north, Burnley, Liverpool and Middlesbrough all being strongly represented.

The grounds were dry and the matches were played in fog and partly in sunshine.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD.

QUEENSLAND DEFEATS VICTORIA.

SOME HEAVY SCORING.

Brisbane, Feb. 19. The following are the close of play scores in the match in the Sheffield Shield between Queensland and Victoria:—

Queensland	399	Victoria	36
Queensland	439	(for 7 wks.)	491
	838		577

In Queensland's first innings, Thompson scored 65, while Morton took four wickets for 130 runs.

In the second innings Oxenham scored 72 and Knowles 144.

In Victoria's first innings R.O.N. Oxenham took four wickets for 15 runs and Mayes three for 21.

Ponsford and Hendry gave Victoria a better start in the second innings and put on 223 for the opening wicket yesterday.

To-day Ponsford went on to make 116, while his partner was dismissed at 137. Baring and Millar hit up 73 and 54, respectively.

HOME SOCCER.

MATCH IN NORTHERN SECTION.

London, Feb. 28. The following match was played to-day in the English Football League, Division III, Northern Section (home team given first):—

Wigan	3	Lincoln	2
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—Reuter.

LATEST CABLES.

AMERICA AND CHINA TROUBLE.

Washington, March 1. The Secretary of State, Mr. Kellogg, who has been suffering from a severe cold for some weeks, has gone to Charleston, South Carolina for a fortnight's rest. He informed the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives that America had no secret treaty with foreign powers regarding the joint use of military forces in China.—Reuter's American Service.

MEXICO'S OIL LAWS.

Washington, Mar. 1. President Calles has personally sent a letter to Senator Borah stating that 350 companies have complied with the Mexican oil land laws.—Reuter's American Service.

AIR CRASH FUNERAL.

Buenos Aires, March 1. The President and Ministers of War and Marine attended the funeral service of the victims of the American air crash after which the bodies were placed on a steamer for New York.

M. Pedro Zanal, the Argentinian who attempted a world flight two years ago, delivered a funeral oration.—Reuter's American Service.

WEATHER REPORT.

March 1d. 11h. 25m.—Pressure has increased moderately from S. Manchuria to N.E. Japan and slightly over N.E. and S.W. China. It has decreased considerably at Naha, moderately at Ishigaki, and slightly from Shanghai to Formosa.

Another anticyclone may be forming over S.E. Mongolia.

A depression is forming over the Loochoos.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours: ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.08 inch. Total since January 1st 4.88 inches, against an average of 3.17 inches.

INDIA'S FINANCES.

Big Surplus For Last Year.

COMING TARIFF CHANGES.

New Delhi, Feb. 28. A surplus of 331 lakhs which is 200 lakhs over the estimate was announced by Sir Basil Blackett, Finance Member of the Executive Council of the Governor-General of India, in presenting the Budget in the Assembly.

Customs receipts have increased 130 lakhs, opium 86 lakhs, military expenditure 87 lakhs in the above estimate.

Sir Basil Blackett budgeted for a surplus of 370 lakhs in the next year on the basis of 1s. 6d. rupee.

He pointed out that with 1s. 4d. rupee the position would show a worsening by 526 lakhs.

He proposed to abolish the export duty on hides and tea, but the losses on the latter would nearly be made up by an alteration in companies' assessments.

Motor car duties would be reduced from 30 per cent. to 20 per cent. and tyres from 30 per cent. to 15 per cent.

He proposed to abolish the import duty of 15 per cent. on rubber seeds to help the young industry in Burma.

The stamp duty on cheques and bills of lading payable on demand would be abolished from July 1.

The import duty on unmanufactured tobacco would be raised from one to 1 1/2 rupees per lb.—Reuter.

MARINES' CHIEF.

MAN WHO SCARED THE BOOTLEGGERS.

ORDERED TO SHANGHAI.

Washington, Mar. 1. Brigadier-General Smedley D. Butler has been ordered to China to command the Marines there.



Brigadier-General Butler.

known as a very strict disciplinarian.

He was lent by the Navy Department three years ago to reorganise the easy-going police of Philadelphia. He became a terror to bootleggers.—Reuter's American Service.

GOVERNOR'S DEATH.

MALTA PLUNGED INTO SORROW.

Malta, March 1. The death has taken place of the Governor, General Sir Walter Congreve, after a few weeks' illness.

The news, although expected, has plunged the whole island into the profoundest sorrow.—Reuter.

General Sir Walter Norris Congreve, V.C., K.C.B., was appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta in 1924.

Born November 20, 1862, he was educated at Harrow. He entered the Rifle Brigade in 1885, becoming captain in 1893, major in 1901, lieutenant-colonel in 1905, major-general in 1918, and general in 1922.

Sir Walter served in South Africa, from 1899 to 1902, being wounded. He was mentioned in despatches and received the V.C. also the Queen's Medal with seven clasps and the King's medal with two clasps.

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A ricsha coolie was knocked down by motor cycle No. 709 on Chai Road yesterday, receiving injuries which necessitated his removal to hospital.

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WHO'S WHO.

PASSENGERS ON "PRESIDENT TAFT."

The s.s. "President Jefferson" arrived from Manila yesterday with the following passengers:—

Mr. George D. Happer and wife. —Prominent business man of Shanghai returning to his home from a pleasure trip to Manila.

Mr. M. B. Bourne and family. —Vice-President of the Manila Trading and Supply Co., agents for the Ford Motor Co., in the Philippines. On a business and pleasure trip to Hong Kong.

Mr. George Welderman and wife. —Tourists returning to San Francisco.

Mr. C. P. Halfhill. —Fish Packer of Long Beach, California. Returning to Honolulu after a business trip through the Orient.

Mrs. H. M. Resling, Miss E. Resling and Mrs. S. E. Venner. —Tourists from London.

Mr. Carson Taylor. —Owner of "Manila Bulletin" going to Los Angeles on a vacation.

Mr. T. C. Davies. —Owner of The Theo. H. Davies Sugar Co., of Honolulu, en route to Honolulu on business.

"President Wilson's" List. The s.s. "President Wilson" arrived in Hong Kong yesterday with 132 cabin passengers and 318 steerage passengers.

Amongst the passengers are:— Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Crocker of San Francisco en route to Manila. Mr. Crocker is a prominent capitalist of San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moulton, of Hollywood, en route to Manila. Mr. Moulton is associated with Mr. Crocker.

Miss Helen Leas travelling with Mr. and Mrs. Crocker, returning to her home in Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Taggart returning to their home in Hong Kong. Mrs. Taggart's home was in San Francisco which she relinquished to marry Mr. Taggart last week in Shanghai at the home of Mr. Benjamin, who is very prominently known throughout the Orient.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Erlanger and Mr. E. P. Lilianthal of San Francisco en route to Manila. Mr. Erlanger and Mr. Lilianthal are well known export and import brokers of San Francisco and bay communities.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bode of San Francisco en route to Naples. Mr. Bode is one of the well known lumber men of the bay districts.

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RADIO TOPICS

B'KOK ROTARIANS.

CENTRAL ASIA AND RADIO.

On Jan. 21 the Bangkok Rotarians gave their 10th dinner, at which Major Stephen T. Doeray gave a most interesting and entertaining speech on the subject of "Linking up Central Asia by Radio."

He said, in part, speaking as a Rotarian (having for several years been a member of the Feking Rotary International Club) it is a great pleasure to me to have been invited here to-night as a guest of the Bangkok Rotarian Dinner Society. My classification in Rotary is "Wireless Engineering and Equipment," however I am not going to give up a lecture on wireless but tell you about a somewhat remarkable journey I made into Central Asia in connection with the establishment of a chain of wireless stations, which the Chinese Government had decided to construct, to link up certain outlying places of that vast Empire.

The scheme embraced three main stations which were to be erected at Urumchi, the capital of Inner Mongolia, Urumchi, the capital of Sinkiang, and Kashgar. It was recognised in the first place, that the work of erecting wireless stations at such inaccessible places was going to be a difficult undertaking, chiefly on account of the transportation question and the disturbed political conditions of the country, and many of the "old timer" stated it was an impossible scheme and would never be accomplished. When the scheme was first mooted the Chinese Government actually considered, and even went so far as to have all the plant so designed, that it could be transported by aeroplanes. Needless to say this question of aerial transport was a wild dream. However six Handley-Page machines were actually brought out to China, but were promptly seized by one of the War Lords then in power, and used for an entirely different purpose.

The materials for these Wireless Stations were transported eventually by camels and carts. In organising this tremendous caravan I was given much help and advice from the B.A.T. Coy., who have been the pioneers in China of interior caravans and who have had a great deal of experience regarding camel transport. As you can imagine it took many months getting all this material suitably packed, and obtaining the requisite number of animals. However what seemed like an utterly hopeless task was finally accomplished, and these long strings of camels were sent off on their long journey across the Gobi Desert.

The construction gang consisted entirely of Chinese workmen, and were as fine a gang of men as I ever wish to handle. They served me faithfully and loyally throughout very often under most trying conditions.

Upon the completion of the Urumchi Station the caravan to transport the third installation to Kashgar was organised and this was the most interesting part of the whole journey.

Upon arrival at Kashgar all the transport worries were over and it was a tremendous relief to have reached our objective with all the outfit intact. I may say here that the cost of the whole transportation, with insurance, was more than £50,000.

At Kashgar everything went very smoothly and the station was erected and put into commission in 6 months, communication being established with Simla and Delhi, which was one of the important features of the scheme, as well as linking up with Urumchi, Unga and Peking.

The whole scheme took more than four years to complete and cost altogether just over £200,000.

The stations are working efficiently to-day, but not altogether in the way it was intended, as the Unga Station is in the hands of the Soviet Russians who have annexed the whole of Inner Mongolia and seem firmly established there. The Unga Station is in direct communication with Moscow, and also broadcasts a propaganda programme daily, which is helping to keep China disturbed, and thereby completely defeating the original object of the Station. Truly an ironical situation.

After completing the construction of the Kashgar Station I remained in Kashgar several months having to wait for the personnel who were to take over the maintenance.

Speaking of Broadcasting—I should like to make a few remarks on the human aspect of Broadcasting, not from the commercial or technical point. It is quite wrong to regard broadcasting only as a form of amusement or even merely as a wonderful scientific achievement. It is a means whereby knowledge and information are brought to our very homes without any effort on our part other than the simple expedient of switching on our receivers. During the general strike in England, when no newspapers were being published and naturally everyone was most anxious for news of the situation, the British Government was able to keep the public fully informed through the medium of Broadcasting. Therefore the advantage and benefit to be obtained by Government controlled Broadcasting, has been amply proved. We can even go so far as to say that the scope of Broadcasting will be so increased in the very near future that the man without a wireless set will find himself at a considerable disadvantage among his fellow workers, for he will be quite out of touch with everything that is happening around him. Facts speak for themselves. Millions of people are today "listening in," and it is doubtful whether we, at this moment, realise more than a small fraction of the far reaching influence which broadcasting will exert on the population of the world.

The Siamese Government are giving this subject some attention, and probably in the very near future by the system of simultaneous Broadcasting the inhabitants of Bangkok may have the facilities to regularly enjoy the benefits of the programme transmitted from various broadcasting centres, which programmes contain such a variety of items that all tastes are catered for.

NEARLY 48,000.

NEW SOUTH WALES RADIO LISTENERS.

Figures for December, issued by the Director of Postal Services (Mr. Brown), show that the number of the licences issued to wireless listeners in the Commonwealth of Australia total 183,446.

Of these 6999 were issued in December, and 2834 were cancelled. Victoria still maintains its big lead over other States, with 96,892 licences, the next State being New South Wales, with 47,860.

The authorities explain this by stating that Sydney residents spend more time away from their homes than those in Melbourne, and consequently have less need for listening-in sets.

Totals are as follow:—N.S.W., new issues, 2167; cancellations, 1207; now in force, 47,860; percentage of population, 2.1. Victoria, 3468, 883, 96,392, 5.2; Queensland, 842, 291, 18,963, 2.8; S.A., 366, 374, 14,462, 2.7; W.A., 75, 79, 4006, 1.0; Tasmania, 80, nil, 1791, 9.

EMPIRE BROADCASTING.

Efforts of the British Corporation.

London, Feb. 4. The British Broadcasting Corporation announce their intention of developing as soon as possible facilities for Empire broadcasting by means of a short-wave transmitter as an auxiliary to the distributing unit, primarily with a view to reaching the Dominions and Dependencies.

They point out that only limited success has hitherto been achieved with the short-wave. The factor of safety necessary to the success of a continuous broadcasting system was not yet present, but the British Broadcasting Corporation hope to succeed before long.

A test of the value of educational broadcasting is to be made in a number of Kent schools, for which sets are being purchased from a Carnegie Trust grant. During the children's hour the person in charge is to be announced as "Mr. So and So," instead of by the familiar title of "Uncle."

A THING OF BEAUTY.

WOMAN INSISTS ON DECORATIVE SETS.

Woman's decorative instinct has resulted in a big improvement in the general design of receiving sets.

She has banned unsightly instruments from the home, and thereby added prestige to radio.

The ultimatum has been issued and it is being obeyed. Woman has surveyed the weird agglomeration of valves, coils, transformers, batteries, and panels, all more or less distantly related by means of chaotic wire—the collection amalgamated by Man into the lounge or drawing room and asserted by him to represent a wireless set.

Woman has spoken.

"Take that," she has said, "and put it in the dust bin where it rightly belongs. If you insist on having Grandfather's or Uncle George's, or whatever his name is, announcing the starting prices close to the family harmonium, please see that he does it from a cabinet which matches my curtains and does not clash with the oak frame which surrounds the enlarged photograph of our wedding."

So it comes about that the feminine influence is noticeable in the design, colour, and general appearance of receiving sets, as it is noticeable in the interior of motor cars.

Even being a piece of mechanism, the set has risen to the dignity of "a piece of furniture." It takes its place with the piano and the gramophone, and is no longer hurtful to the aesthetic eye.

Some of the cabinets displayed for sale go further. Plainly they are designed for feminine buyers. Unusual colours, "frail" designs, artistic scrolls, all show the influence of women in the wireless world.

All this is to the good of radio. Those who do not listen in must be made to realise that broadcasting has passed the cheap and nasty stage, that despite temporary setbacks it is here to stay, and that instruments of reception are now available which, in point of quality and decorative appearance, need no apology.

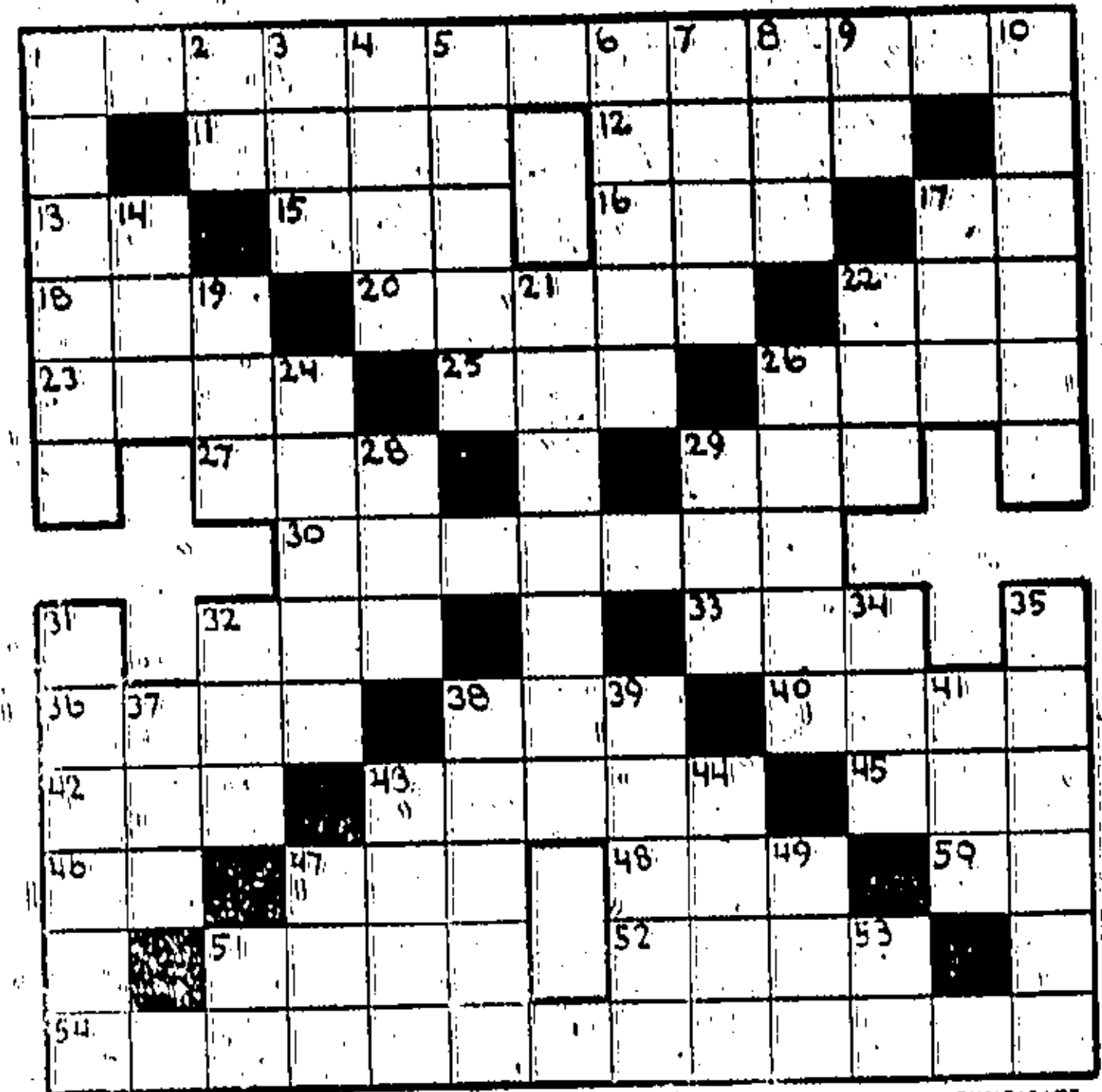
In a word, woman has added to the prestige of radio.

RADIO RECORDING.

Hugo Gernsback, the famous American radio publisher, recently published information in reference to a device for recording radio items. It is the opinion of some people that the phonograph has this advantage over radio, that a selection may be repeated when desired, whereas with radio it has fitted into the past just when you enjoy it most. However, it is becoming very apparent that radio will beat the phonograph at its own game. Already records have been made from items, including speeches taken over the radio. However, the most important development, is what is known as a photographic-phonographic device, which will use a very narrow film, not more than one quarter of an inch wide. The film is run through a small machine by means of a motor, while the incoming radio sound impulses are registered on the photographic film by means of a photo-electric cell. These films are good for a half hour's run, while longer films can, of course, be made. A device of this kind naturally does not take up much room, nor is it expensive. The recording is easily done, even by the layman, and after the full record is finished the photographic roll is taken to your nearest photographer and developed just exactly as are the snapshots which you take. After the film comes back it is run through the identical machine. The photo-electric cell is now used again in conjunction with your loud speaker. Every sound which originally came in through your radio set is held fast in the film and can be reproduced as often as desired. This method is much superior to the phonographic disc method. The latter has the disadvantage that the record must be made in soft material, such as zinc, wax, &c., and cannot be played many times before it begins to wear out. On the other hand, the photographic method is much better, because it has been proved that a photographic film on which sounds have been photographed can be run through the machine thousands of times without acquiring any noticeable defects. The reason is that no mechanical stylus is used on the photographic film, but rays of light instead, which do not affect the photographic film, once it has been developed. We should therefore soon see in every house that has a first-class radio set, a radio-recording device. It will give to radio a new thrill, and a permanency that it has not up to the present possessed.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



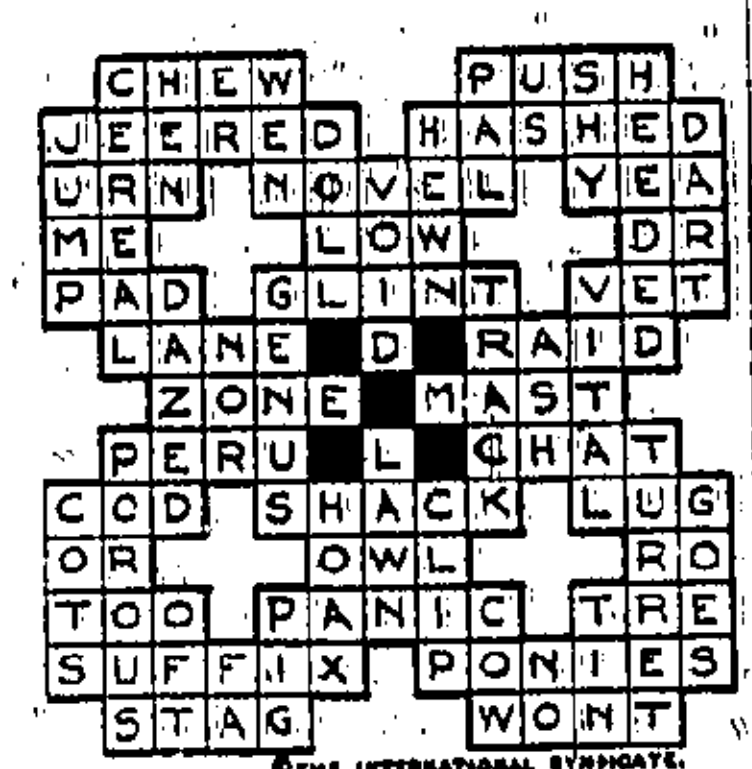
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| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Those who practice a profession | 45-Variety of sweet potato | 17-Personal pronoun |
| 11-Wind instrument | 46-Prefix meaning "from" | 18-Simplification |
| 12-Stringed instrument | 47-Hall (Lat.) | 20-Occidental |
| 13-Not any | 48-Rim | 22-Conflict |
| 15-Flying mammal | 50-Eastern State of U. S. (abbr.) | 24-Repulse |
| 16-Age | 51-Extent | 26-Country house |
| 17-Exclamation | 52-Certain kind of molding | 28-Canine |
| 18-A number | 53-Annihilation | 29-Nickname for "Robert" |
| 20-Equals before the law | 54-Annihilation | 31-To dispose little by little |
| 22-A small tumor | 55-Annihilation | 32-Argo |
| 23-Side | 56-Process or method | 33-Stay behind |
| 25-Beam of light | 57-Exclamation | 37-To arrive to excel |
| 26-Market | 58-Strong, thick-set horse | 38-Across (Naut.) |
| 27-Supplied with food | 59-Exclamation | 39-Plant of the gourd family |
| 28-Hinder | 60-Exclamation | 41-Opening |
| 29-Share | 61-Exclamation | 43-Affirm |
| 30-Imports | 62-Exclamation | 44-Quit in Baltic sea |
| 33-Forward part of a vessel | 63-Exclamation | 47-Part of verb "to be" |
| 35-Bad | 64-Exclamation | 49-Fondle |
| 36-A limb | 65-Exclamation | 51-By or near |
| 40-Wrath | 66-Exclamation | 53-East Indies (abbr.) |
| 42-Exhausts | 67-Exclamation | |
| 43-Man's name | 68-Exclamation | |

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES:
Start out by filling in the words which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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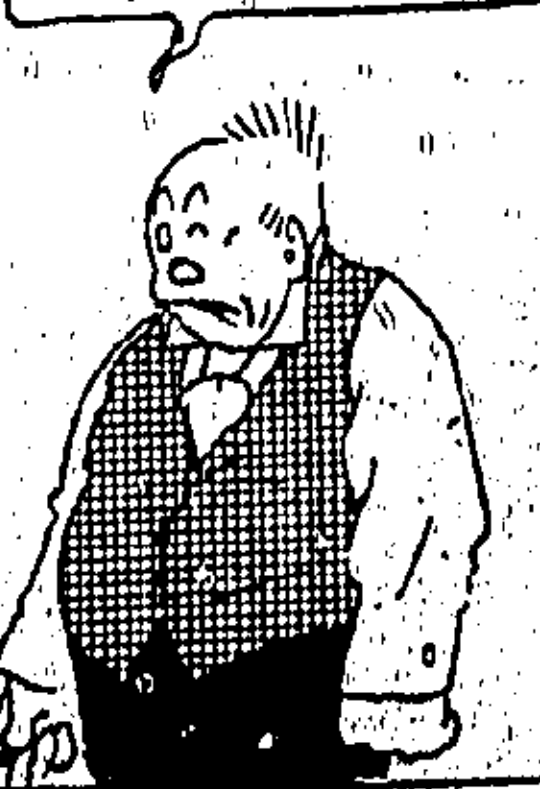
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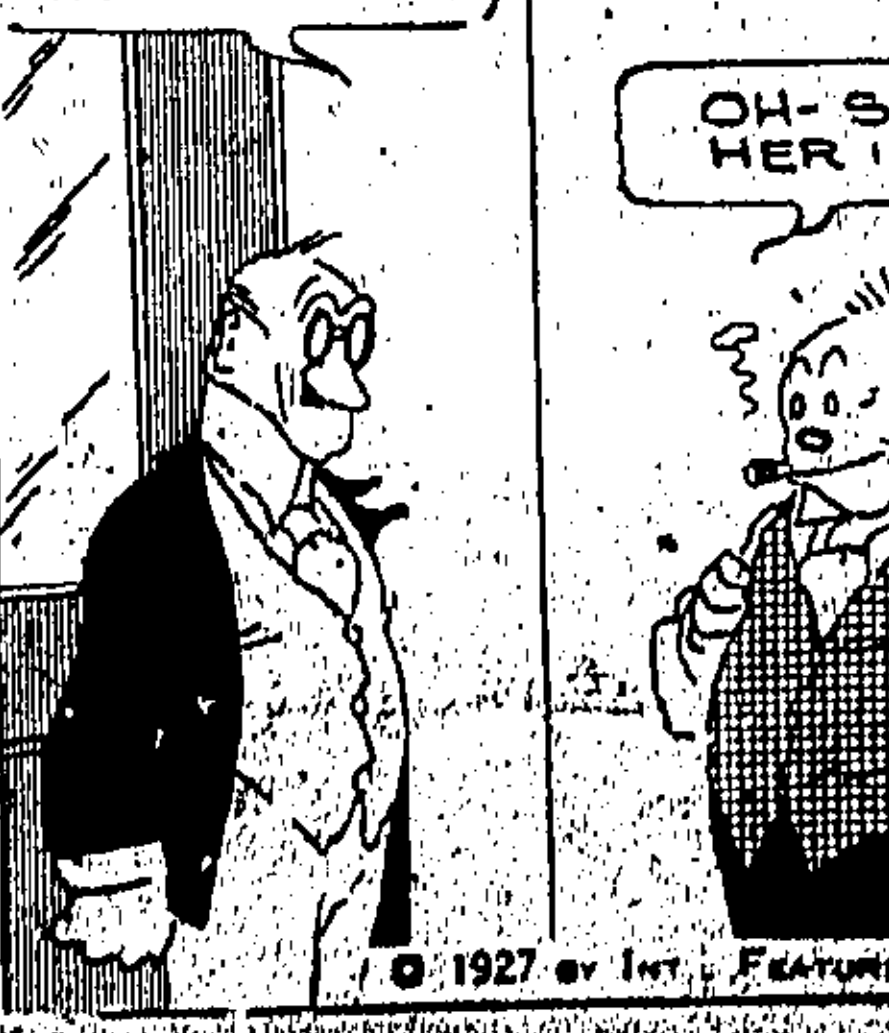
ONE OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO GOLD FISH IS OUTSIDE AND WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO YOU-SIR!



SAY-I'M NOT RUNNING FOR OFFICE-I'VE BEEN ELECTED-I HAVE NO TIME TO BE BOTHERED WITH PEOPLE-I'M TOO BUSY!



AH-MR-JIGGS-IT'S A SHAME TO TURN DOWN A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG LADY WITHOUT GIVING HER AN INTERVIEW!



OH-SEND HER IN!

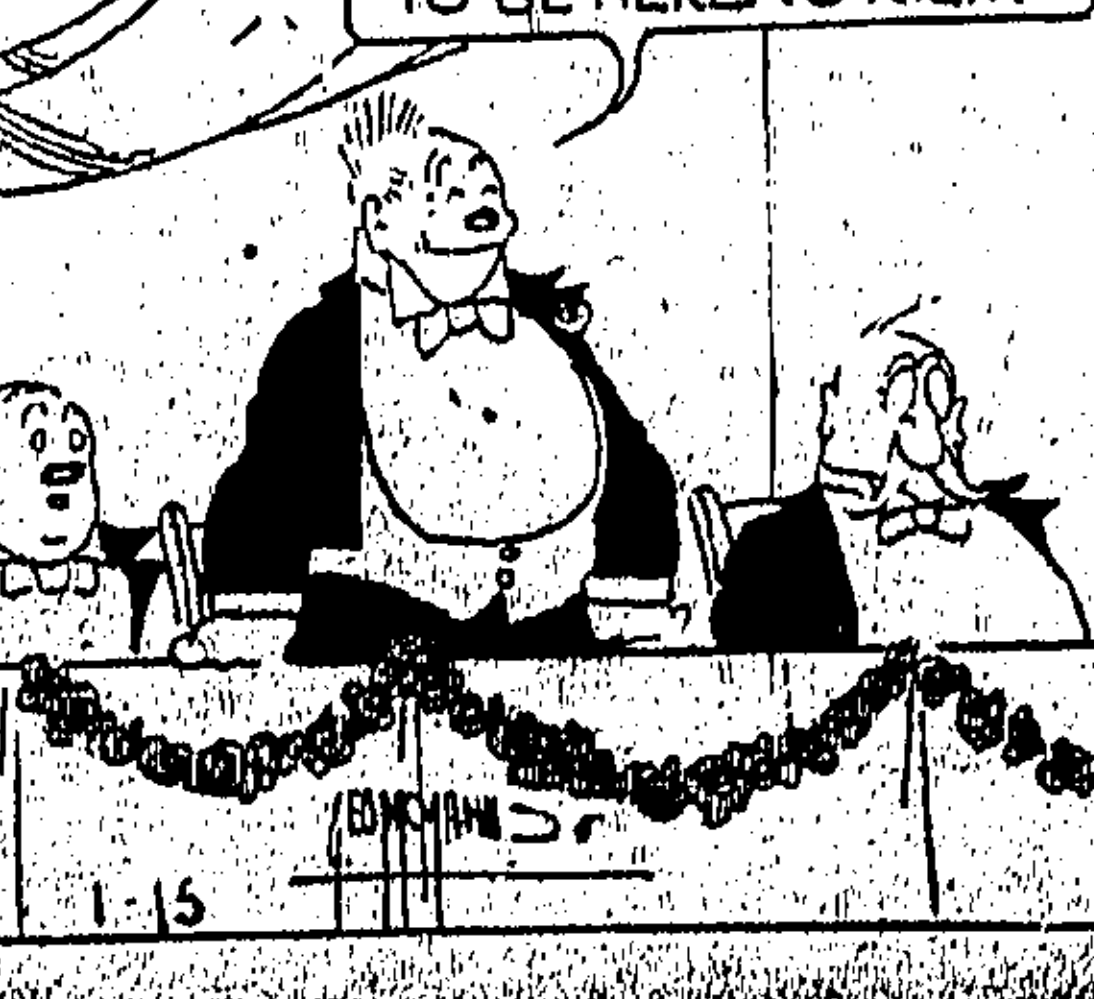
YES-MR-ALDERMAN-JIGGS-WHAT DO YOU WISH TO SEE ME ABOUT?



I KNOW YOU ARE A BUSY MAN-MR-JIGGS-BUT I WISH YOU WOULD SPEAK FOR US TONIGHT AT THE DINNER FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO GOLD-FISH!



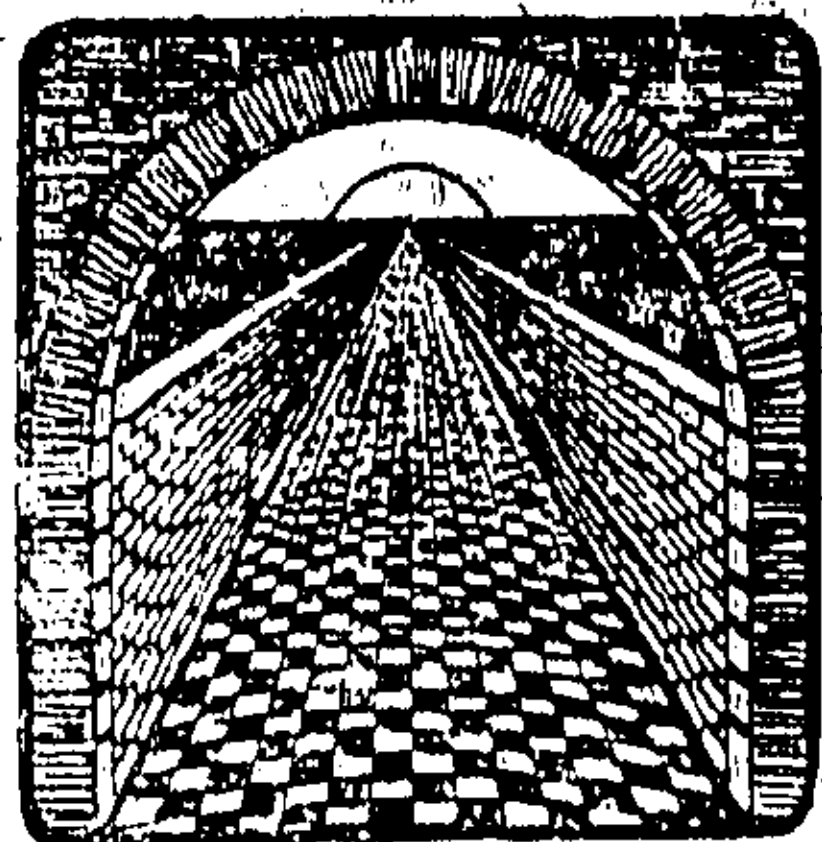
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Only one favourite was successful at Haydock Park race meeting.

As the year advances wholesale and retail food prices are expected by the Food Council to fall. It is stated by the secretary of the National Association of Master Bakers that the price of the loaf may soon be reduced generally to ninepence.

A considerable extension of co-operation between the Army and Navy is to be made in this year's training. Facilities are to be given to military commanders, both at home and at foreign stations, for practising embarkation in boats and beach landings on the sea-coast.

On the motion of Mr. R. Gurner (King Edward's School, Sheffield), the Conference of the Incorporated Association of Headmasters at Guildhall unanimously adopted a resolution condemning "the increasing tendency to regard secondary schools as centres for the purposes of advertisement and propaganda." At one of the houses of a school at which he was recently a master, Mr. Gurner said, there was a constant stream of young super-Communist-Bolsheviks being turned out, and he found that "an ultra Die-hard master had been utilising half the divinity period in propagandising anti-Bolshevism."

trouble and anxiety than ten boys. If in the beginning there had been a certain disappointment about the work of the Borstal institution, there was no cause for any such feeling.

Lieut.-Colonel J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon has resigned his office as Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Transport in order to take up the chairmanship of a company. It is not intended to appoint a successor.

Sir A. H. Dyer, A.C.M.G., a former Minister for Education, left by his will £10,000 to enable selected men and women between the ages of 20 and 30 to go abroad to study any development deemed by trustees to be of interest and importance to the Co-operative or Labour movement.

A rearrangement of date has averted a clash in American and British open golf championships.

Guy's Hospital defeated a Royal Air Force Rugby team by five points to three.

Major-General H. Isaacke will succeed Major-General Sir G. P. T. Feilding in the command of the 56th (1st London) Division, Territorial Army.

Opening the inquest at Birmingham on the eight victims of a city fire, the coroner uttered a warning against "spiteful rumours" concerning things which, according to the evidence before him, he said, could not have happened. Charles Pedley, who lost his wife and six children, described the discovery of the outbreak.

In his presidential address to the Incorporated Association of Headmasters Mr. R. F. Cholmeley, headmaster of Owen's School, discussed the evils arising from the exploitation of children by cinema interests. The commercial cinema, the programme, that paid, depended, he said, upon the ability to attract the largest possible number of the silliest people in their silliest moments; and the chief victims of the industry were the children of the West and the minds, some immature and some dangerously precocious, of what were called the "inferior races." It seemed to him that the cinema was typical of all that deserved their vigilant hostility as protectors of the young.

Mr. W. Clarke Hall, the metropolitan magistrate, said in an address to the Child Study Society that it was more difficult to deal with the delinquent girl than the delinquent boy, and that one girl often caused him far more

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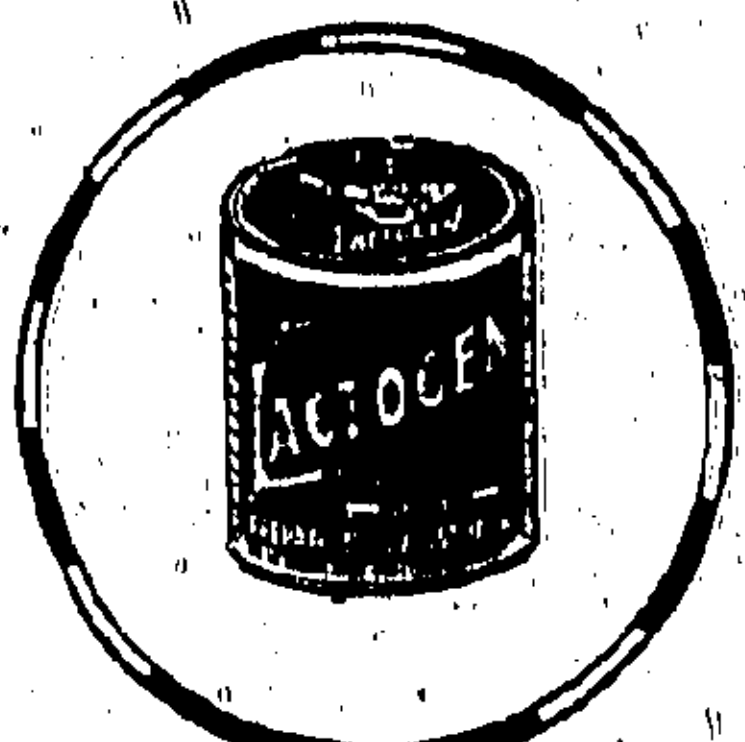
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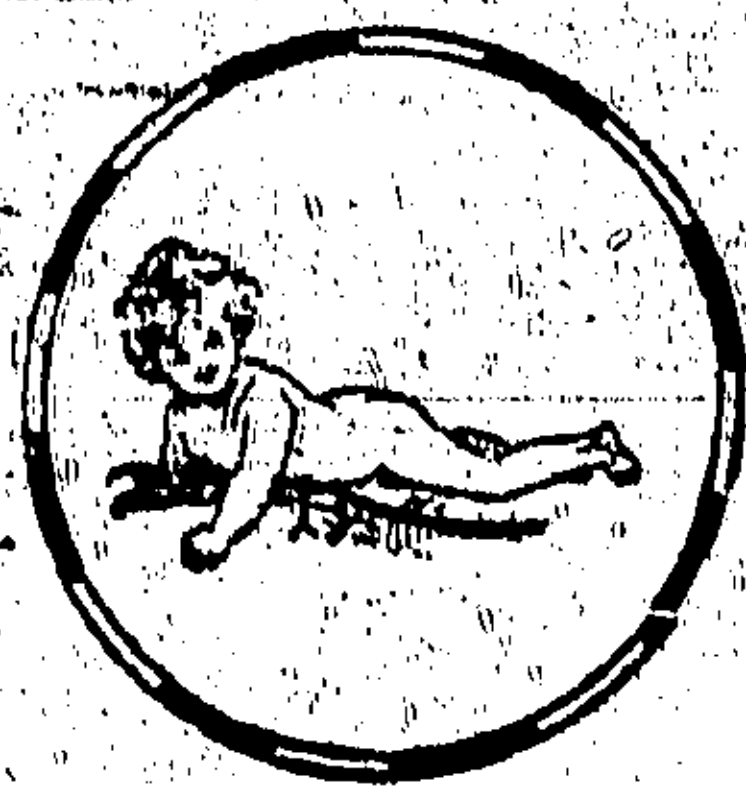
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President Lincoln, President Wilson, President Jefferson, Paul Lecat, Tando, Nellore, Sinkiang, Macedonia, Angkor, Rhexenor, Anhui, Sunning, Antang, Derflinger.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai & Europe	Pres. Lincoln.	
Saigon	Paul Lecat.	
Japan	Tando.	
Shanghai	Nellore.	
Shanghai	Sim Kiang.	
THURSDAY, MARCH 3		
Shanghai	Liangchow.	
Europe via Suez (letters & papers, London, 3rd Feb., & parcels, 27th Jan.)	Macedonia.	
FRIDAY, MARCH 4		
Shanghai	Mantua.	
SATURDAY, MARCH 5		
Manila	Empress of Asia.	
SUNDAY, MARCH 6		
Straits	Takada.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	President Grant.	
FRIDAY, MARCH 18		
Canada, U.S.A., Japan, & Shanghai	Empress of Canada.	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & Bombay	Nellore	10.30 a.m.
Port Bayard	Wing Wo	Noon
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Paul Lecat	2.30 p.m.
Straits	Chakrang	1.30 p.m.
Dalpin	Kathe	1.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln	2.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 3		
Swallow	Luchow	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Van Heutz	2 p.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 4		
Holhow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Talkwa Maru	3.30 a.m.
Swallow, Amoy & Hoochow	Hai Ning	1 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 10th March. Parcels noon. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.0 p.m.	Tanda.	
Shanghai	Antenor	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 1st April. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (G.H.) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Mantua.	
SATURDAY, MARCH 5		
Straits	Yat Shing	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	Sinkiang	2.30 p.m.

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OUR DERBY DAY.

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5.—The Great Southern Stakes.—Winner \$600, second \$200, third \$100, for China ponies. W.I. Winners at this meeting 5 lb.; of two or more Races 7 lb. extra; griffins allowed 5 lb. subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 10 lb. Allowances accumulative. (Jockey allowance). Entrance \$10. Six furlongs.
Mr. L. Dunbar's San Francisco Bay, 153 lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King of Troy, 153 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 2
Messrs. Dunbar & Stanton's San Diego, 153 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 3
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Gomeril, 163 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 4
Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Loch Rannoch, 153 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0
Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Grey Morn, 153 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0
Mr. R. J. Paterson's September, 149 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 0
Mrs. R. J. Paterson's The Regent, 153 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacao) 0
Messrs. Toog & Priestley's Grande del Norte (late The Goshawk), 153 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 0
6 lengths; 3 lengths.
Time: 2.11.1/5.
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Winner \$18.50.
Places: 1st \$9.00; 2nd \$7.50; 3rd \$28.40.

6.—The Lusitano Cup.—Presented by the members of the Club Lusitano. For China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting, with \$500 added, second \$200, third \$100. W.I. Subscription griffins of this season allowed 5 lb.; all winners 5 lb. extra. Entrance \$10. One mile.
Mr. Eve's Battle Eve, 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 1
Mr. Roda's Democrates, 155 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 2
Messrs. Toog & Priestley's Espoir, 155 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 3
Mr. K. H.'s Laceda II (late Chin Shan), 153 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 4
Mr. Eve's Bright Eve, 155 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacao) 0
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Ghost (late Cultra), 153 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 0
Mr. R. J. Paterson's August, 155 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 0
3/4 length; 4 lengths.
Time: 2.08.3/5.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$33.60.
Places: 1st \$7.20; 2nd \$5.80; 3rd \$7.70.

7.—The Challenge Cup.—Value 100 Guineas, for China ponies. W.I. To be won two years consecutively by a pony or ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners. Winner to receive \$750 and 70 per cent, second \$300 and 20 per cent, third \$150 and 10 per cent, of the entrance fees until the cup is finally won when the second pony will receive 75 per cent, and the first pony 25 per cent, of the entrance fees in addition to the place money. Entrance \$10. One mile and three quarters.
Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade Call, 153 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 1
Mr. Roda's Lady Love, 155 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 2
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Gezer, 153 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 3
Mrs. Priestley's Dolly, 155 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 4
Dr. J. C. Macgown's Sunburst Rose, 152 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacao) 0
Mr. L. Reidy's Mowgli, 155 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0
2 lengths; 3 lengths.
Time: 3.56.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$9.10.
Places: 1st \$6.10; 2nd \$6.90; 3rd \$9.10.

8.—The Royal Navy Cup.—Presented by the officers of H.M. Navy, with \$500 added to the winner, second \$250, third \$150. For subscription griffins of the Garrison Cup at this meeting 10 lb. extra; other winners at this meeting 7 lb. extra; subscription griffins of this year allowed 5 lb. Penalties not accumulative. Allowances accumulative. (J.A.) Entrance \$10. About one mile, 130 furlongs.
Mrs. Bernard's Harley Cross, 152 lbs. (Mr. Da Rosa) 1
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's The Gnomus, 152 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 2

9.—The "Black Rock" Stakes.—Winner \$500, second \$250, third \$150, for China ponies bona fide griffins of this meeting. W.I. Winners of one race other than a race confined to subscription griffins 5 lb.; of two or more races 7 lb. extra. Entrance \$10. One mile and a quarter.
Messrs. Toog & Priestley's Canadian, 155 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 1
Mr. Dynasty's King of Clubs, 153 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 2
Mr. Seth's Ole Custom, 155 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacao) 3
Mr. Eve's Armistice Eve, 155 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 4
4 lengths; 6 lengths.
Time: 2.41.1/5.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$9.30.
Places: 1st \$5.70; 2nd \$6.90.

10.—The Gymkhana Stakes.—Winner \$500, second \$250, third \$150, for all China ponies that have started at races in at least two extra meetings during the season 1926 and subscription griffins of this meeting. Weight 140 lb. Winners of any race other than a race confined to subscription griffins 7 lb.; of a subscription griffin race 2 lb. extra; subscription griffins of this meeting allowed 7 lb.; winners at this meeting allowed 7 lb. (J.A.) Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$5. One mile.
Messrs. Hall & Shenton's Saligia, 153 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 1
Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Ukelele, 153 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2
Messrs. Tester & Abraham's Demon Boy, 153 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacao) 3
Mr. Roda's Lady Luck, 148 lbs. (Mr. Sawell) 4
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey Streak, 148 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 0
Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Loch Rannoch, 153 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 0
Mr. Eve's Solstice Eve, 143 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0
Mr. H. P. White's Saracen, 153 lbs. (Mr. Wong) 0
2 lengths; 3 lengths.
Time: 2.00.2/5.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$6.70.
Places: 1st \$5.50; 2nd \$7.30; 3rd \$5.50.

"GAMBLER'S LUST."

Condemned in Local Magazine.

CLERICAL CRITICISM.

"It is unfortunate," says the current issue of St. John's Cathedral Notes, "that the authorities of the racing world here have arranged for the Annual Race to be on Ash Wednesday. It was probably a quite unintended affront to Church discipline, and it is to be hoped that the said authorities will inflict upon themselves some severe penance, such as eating nothing but rice that day and giving all their winnings to some charity."
"Undoubtedly the spirit of gambling is clean contrary to the growth of the spiritual life and those who are drawn into the habitual encouragement of the gambler's lust for unearned gain generally end by losing all that is best in this world and the next."

Mr. R. M. Austin's Home Call, 153 lbs. (Mr. Dallas) 3
Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Dobbin, 153 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 4
Mr. R. M. Austin's District Call, 153 lbs. (Mr. Wallace) 0
Mr. R. M. Austin's Smoke Call, 145 lbs. (Mr. Sewell) 0
Mr. R. M. Austin's Fire Call, 147 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 0
Messrs. Comyn & Bell's Borderer, 159 lbs. (Mr. Encarnacao) 0
Mrs. Dyer's Yorks, 154 lbs. (Mr. Bulteel) 0
Messrs. Dyer & Beith's Total Abstinence, 153 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 0
Mr. Dynasty's King Alan, 150 lbs. (Mr. Haimovitch) 0
Mr. Lighthouse's Sugar Loaf, 148 lbs. (Mr. Greenway) 0
Mr. Rod's Grosvenor, 153 lbs. (Mr. Pote-Hunt) 0
Mr. Strike's Darno, 144 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 0
Messrs. Toog & Priestley's Invader, 155 lbs. (Mr. Sokoloff) 0
Time: 2.22.4/5.
A head; a neck.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$129.60.
Places: 1st \$13.70; 2nd \$7.20; 3rd \$6.30.

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TAXPAYERS' MONEY

Expensive Consulate Building.

DELAYS IN YUNNAN.

London, Feb. 23.
The report of the Comptroller and Auditor on the Civil Services appropriation accounts mentions the erection of a consulate at Tengyueh, which was originally estimated to cost \$3,950, but had involved until March 31, 1926, an expenditure of \$12,000.
The Lords of the Treasury expressed "great regret that owing partly to the inherent difficulties of the situation and partly also to the inability of the officers in charge of the work to cope effectively with the situation and to a lesser degree to the failure of the department officers at Shanghai to exercise effective control, the very serious excess of the original estimate must be incurred before the building could be completed."
The work had since proceeded very slowly owing to local opposition, acute labour troubles and delay in the delivery of materials. Moreover, the district was subject to sporadic raids of bandits. The latest report to the Treasury in October of 1926 forecasts a total expenditure of about \$16,500.—Reuter.

Tengyueh is a walled town in the south-west of Yunnan, situated in a hollow basin enclosed on all sides by hills. It is the only Chinese town of any importance in the basin of the Irrawadi, in a vast plain of rice fields. Tengyueh was the last town in Yunnan which resisted the Imperial Forces in 1873, at the time of the Mahomedan insurrection.

BRITAIN READY.

DISARMAMENT INVITATION ACCEPTED.

EVERY HELP PROMISED.

Rugby, Feb. 23.
Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, announced in the House of Commons that the following reply had been sent to President Coolidge's message regarding a new naval conference:—
"His Majesty's Government in Great Britain received with cordial sympathy the invitation of the Government of the United States of America to take part in a conversation at Geneva on the further limitation of naval armaments."
"The views of His Majesty's Government upon the special geographical position of the British Empire, the length of inter-Imperial communications and the necessity for protection of its food supplies are well-known, and together with the special connections and requirements of other countries invited to participate in conversation, must be taken into account."
"His Majesty's Government are, nevertheless, prepared to consider to what extent the principles adopted at Washington can be carried further, either as regards the ratio in the different classes of ships between the various Powers, or in other important ways."

"They therefore accept the invitation of the Government of the United States of America and will do their best to further the success of the proposed conversation. They would, however, observe that the relationship of such a conversation to the proceedings of the preparatory commission at Geneva would require careful adjustment.—British Wireless Service.

Empire Concurs.
London, Feb. 23.
Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, in the House of Commons, said that the terms of the reply to President Coolidge had been concurred in by all the governments of the Empire except the Irish Free State which up to the present had not replied to the Government's enquiry.—Reuter.

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Water Supply.
Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on February 1, 1927.
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATERWORKS LEVEL.
Tyam 1926 1927
Tyam Bywash 30'1" B. 10'6" B.
Tyam Intermediate 37'7" B. Level
Tyam Tuk 25'1" B. 22'1" B.
Kong Nei Chung 25'1" B. 19'0" B.
Paklan 19'4" B. 21'5" B.
[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow".
A denotes "Above Overflow".]
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.
Tyam 1926 1927
Tyam Bywash 181.58 259.44
Tyam Intermediate 1.20 .50
Tyam Tuk 46.35 195.90
Tyam Tuk 806.50 915.42
Wong Nei Chung 6.56 10.61
Paklan 25.80 21.75
Total 1,047.80 1,402.71
Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of January:—
Consumption 213.40 226.54
Estimated Population 895,150 458,480
per day (gallons) 17.6 17.9
Intermittent supply in all rider main districts west of Eastern Street from January 1-30 inclusive.
Intermittent supply in all rider main districts west of Garden Road from January 3-30 inclusive.
Full supply in all districts on January 31.
KOWLOON WATERWORKS LEVEL.
Kowloon Gravitation 1926 1927
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 19'8" B. 19'8" B.
Reception Reservoir 19'8" B. 19'8" B.

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Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.
Kowloon Gravitation 1926 1927
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 147.88 217.24
Reception Reservoir 52.76 55.71
Total 200.74 244.10
Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of January.
Consumption 1926 1927
Estimated population 158,550 158,550
per day (gallons) 14.7 15.4
Full supply in all districts during January 1926 and 1927.
The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.
Total rainfall to January 31, 1926, 0.22; January 31, 1927, 0.31.

HONGKONG HEIGHTS.
For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—
Island. Feet.
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Mountain Lodge 1725
The Eyrie 1725
Peak Hotel 1805
Talkoo Sanatorium 1000
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Bowen Rd. (Afterbeds) 297
Mainland.
Taimoshan 8124
Kowloon Peak 1971

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